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1948 HUNT RACING

The close of the hunt meeting season for 1948 finds the amateur game in as sound a condition as it has been for many years. Throughout the Spring and Fall meetings there were 437 starters. This was pretty evenly divided between brush with 98 horses, timber 92, hurdles 87 and starters on the flat 194. The United Hunts which had been able to furnish cash to assist the amateur game during 1947 and in the Spring of 1948, was forced to curtail its support this Fall due to the Government tax levy on its cash as well as due to the poor dates for the United Hunts at Belmont.

The hunt meetings operate on very much of a shoe string and as such, need some sort of backlog protection as has been generously subscribed by the United Hunts. Without it, if anything goes wrong, a bad day, cancellation of betting privileges by an over-zealous governor or an epidemic of bad luck among the horses in training and a hunt meeting might see itself faced with a very real deficit. This Fall for instance, the excellently run and well established Middleburg meeting found itself only \$200 ahead when its books were closed. It would not take very much of a downpour to turn this net into a loss. Another year perhaps the United Hunts will be in a better position to extend financial aid at least to those meetings who operated in the red.

Leading trainers this year at the meetings were not the established steeplechasing trainers who have been winning a majority of the races at the big tracks. Instead the laurels must go to two of the younger men, Sidney Watters, Jr. and W. Burling Cocks who each had 21 wins apiece. This is a very creditable record and one that should carry both of these trainers a long way. Leading timber horse was Big Mike which finished up his Fall campaign in a blaze of glory although during the Spring meetings he had disgraced himself by refusing to run at Glenwood and at the Maryland Hunt Cup. Royal Mission came 2nd in the timber ranks with 4 wins to Big Mike's 5, although he did not start until the Fall and is only 5, winning 4 out of 5 starts.

Grover Stephens distinguished himself by becoming the leading timber rider with 6 wins and Mike Smithwick was 2nd with 4 wins. The timber racing was marked by a sharp decline in the number of amateur riders. In fact during the Fall meeting the racing had only 5 amateurs riding consistently, Mr. Stephens, Mr. Bennett, Mr. M. Smithwick, Mr. C. Cann and Mr. Brewster. It would appear that the old rule of amateurs only to ride in timber races is pretty much a thing of the past. It is an impossibility for any of the younger riders to exist nowadays without doing some sort of work. As they are riding intensively, it is certain they will want to complement their riding with a paying job and this would naturally enough mean earning a living with horses. The penalty for such an activity is loss of amateur standing, but in many cases it is a question of being an amateur as a public charge or paying one's way as a professional. There are so few horsemen today with the means and leisure to ride without being paid for it, that the number is truly negligible.

Usually matters like this solve themselves and in this instance, it is pretty certain they will do so again. Professionals have been riding in the timber races and they will undoubtedly continue to do so. Middleburg's Fall meeting for instance, narrowly missed not filling their Gerald Webb Memorial timber race. When the horses went to post there were only 4, 3 riders of whom were amateurs, the other professional. The ruling against amateurs will have to be relaxed soon else there will not be sufficient amateur riders to carry on. In getting out the green riders it is interesting to remember that there were two novice races last Spring that filled very well. These at Radnor and at Whitmarsh drew some 28 novice horses and were among the outstanding events in the Spring calendar.

It would take too long to pick out outstanding races in the

various meetings, but it is well to note that Montpelier last week which annually closes the Fall circuit, ended up with a feature brush race, the Montpelier Cup with eleven starters and was won by Caidstone. This was the largest brush race at any N. S. H. A. meeting this year and brought out top quality horses. The meetings were successful in drawing many really good 'chasers for the brush racing. William duPont's new Fair Hill meeting bids fair to become one of the outstanding brush races in this country and should compete favorably with anything the big tracks have to offer. New Jersey has the honor of putting on the best timber racing this year. At both Monmouth and Essex 9 horses went postward with excellent contests in both feature events.

As a finale on this highly successful year, the insurance policy for any rider taken out by the United Hunts Racing Association for all sanctioned hunt meetings and engineered by Richard Mellon's Hunts Meeting Committee, is one of the best and most constructive steps taken for the sport in many a year. It recognizes the possibilities of injury and does the best that anyone could do in protecting both riders and owners from the unhappy results of a bad fall.

Letters To The Editor

Influence Needed

Dear Sir:

You are to be most heartily commended for your splendid editorial in the November 12 issue, "Who Will Carry The Flag".

It is so sound, so logical, so very reasonable, I wish the President, every member of the Cabinet, and every Congressman could read it. Maybe someone would persuade the Secretary for War to re-establish an Army Horse Show Team.

More power to you!

Sincerely,

Margaret Leonard

Casper, Wyoming.

Wind In Tree Tops

Dear Sir:

The Chronicle of Friday, September the 3rd and the Chronicle of Friday, the 10th, contain letters, all in regard to the showing of jumpers and the poling, torturing and so-forth that goes on at our many horse shows from their version. It is really disgusting to me, as a Manager of many shows and a lover of all horses, regardless of whether they are show stock, family hacks, draft horses or just ordinary pets, to hear this high-wind blowing from so many would be crusaders. Even here at home in this little

Town (population 4,000) I see horses working every day that get more abuse and less care than any show horse on the circuit today. Noone says a word, in fact, they don't even notice it, don't look at their condition, their shoeing, their harness or other equipment, but just take it for granted they are horses put on this earth to work and earn their living and help make the living of their owner. But with horse shows it is different. People show up and have great ideas and pass criticism on the way horses are presented to them in the show ring, and then take the time to put their ideas on paper. The average open jumper shown today and especially those that are really tops get more care and attention than perhaps any other horse being presented to the public, and no one with a really valuable horse will take a chance of injuring it or having it laid up with the competition that you find among the open jumping horses today. Any horse that shows week after week and over similar courses is bound to get careless and so consequently it is necessary to sharpen a horse up, but when one realizes that this same horse has nothing but the very best between shows, is it asking too much to get the top performance? If these crusaders are really interested in helping stop cruelty to animals, they can do much more by making a sizable donation to the S. P. C. A. than

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Cottage Chat Hunter Champion

Six New England Hunt Clubs Vie For Honors At 10th Annual Hunter Trials Held At Hamilton, Mass.

Glacy-Maloney

Paul Fox, riding his bay mare Cottage Chat, led the Myopia Hunt Club to victory and won the championship hunter challenge trophy at the 10th annual hunter trials held on the estate of Frederic Winthrop in Hamilton, Mass., on Nov. 6. The Myopia Hunt Club, as the past winner of the trophy, played host to the competing hunts. Horses from Norfolk, Dedham, Groton, Millwood, and Quansett Hunts Clubs who had won their place in trials or were nominated by the respective hunts, were entered to make their bid for the championship and the privilege of holding the trials in their own country the following year.

A dark and cloudy day with fog rolling in from the sea was made a little bit brighter as the riders wearing their hunts' colors reported to Richard Preston, the clerk of the course, for instructions. Grooms, still sleepy-eyed from leaving their home stables in the early hours, were bustling about doing the last minute details that always seem to develop around horses. Spectators from the competing hunts arrived early to wish their entries well before gathering on the knoll overlooking the course that was to tell which of the 18 horses would gather the most points and bring home the

championship.

Albert C. Burrage, chairman of the trials, provoked good natured laughter as he bounced about the course in his little Crossley making a last inspection of the course that was a perfect representation of New England hunting country. A course designed to fulfill the ideals of the trials; "To determine the best cross-country horse, a hunter capable of negotiating all the natural obstacles in a hunting country, and one that would give a safe enjoyable ride."

The Interclub Hunter Trials were originated for the purpose of creating, annually, competition for hunters that would be strictly a hunters' meet, to determine the best cross-country horse. "A horse to be entered must be nominated by the master of a recognized hunt from his field." Each horse to have been "hunted fairly and regularly" and be the "property of the hunt, a member, or a subscriber." The horse must be ridden by an amateur, not necessarily the owner. To be sure only hunters would be entered, the trial course is over natural country with jumps typical of the section. Horses are to be ridden at a hunters pace or be penalized. The winner of this competition to receive the championship hunter challenge trophy and be

offered the privilege of holding the trials the following year.

With this purpose and privilege, the Myopia Hunt Club was host and made the trial course on the estate of its Joint-Master, Frederic Winthrop. The course, in the shape of an "L", contained a knoll from which the spectators could follow the horses over the 22 jumps almost as well as the judges.

The judges, selected from members of the competing hunts, were well qualified by long years of following hounds to pick a champion. Miss Sylvia Warren represented Norfolk, Russell Knowles was from Quansett, Robert Lovejoy from Millwood, and Brigadier General Townsend Heard, the donor of the Heard Cup to be presented to the champion hunter, represented Myopia. Each judge was placed in a different area of the course with an assistant to help with the complicated scoring of the trials. The judging of the trials was divided into four divisions. The first two divisions; form and style in jumping, and the jumping performance was judged over the course. Style, action, and manners as well as conformation was judged on the flat in front of the spectators. The scoring of the judges were turned over to Gilbert L. Stewart the Computer, for tabulation. The horse receiving the highest number of points to be crowned the champion and winner of the Heard Cup. The two horses from each hunt having the highest scores would be selected as the club team and be eligible for the Appleton Cup awarded to the highest team, or the Prince Cup for the team runner-up.

As the voices of the hounds getting away on the line broke the stillness, the tension of the trial snap-

a place on the Millwood team. Mrs. Gordon C. Prince of Myopia riding her chestnut Loose Manners is one of the few remaining who still rides sidesaddle in this section. Coupled with Mrs. Prince was Mrs. Sherwin C. Badger on Cabby, a favorite in the trials because of his performance at Norfolk where he won the hunter championship, the Hathaway Plate for the best Norfolk horse, and the Warren Cup for the best horse from any hunt. Both Mrs. Prince and Mrs. Badger made an excellent performance and were followed by Dean Wheatley and Mrs. T. J. Whitney from Quansett and Dedham.

At the half-way mark, all the horses had made a good showing and it was difficult for the spectators to decide what horse might have the edge. The clouds were beginning to part and the sun, warm and welcome, brightened the day as the next pair of horse made their way to the starting line. Millwood's Mrs. Henry S. Hall lead the way and Groton's 19-year-old chestnut Shaun Rhu, which was the winner of the Willowdale Cup Steeplechase at the Myopia Race Meet, followed. Mrs. Hall had a fall at the in and out and started a series of misfortunes. Although a fall is not an elimination, Mrs. Hall did not know this until returning to the starting line and elected to withdraw. Shaun Rhu was the next to act up and was eliminated for refusing. Norfolk was the next to feel the sting when it became necessary to scratch Charles Wood's 'Tis So, and cut their entries to two. This left Myopia's Frederick Ayer to cover the course alone. Riding his hunter Kilbrac, Mr. Ayer had the Myopia fans with him all the way. Kilbrac has become a favorite of the North Shore because he is a



Styles in jumping at the 10th annual hunter trials held on the estate of Frederick Winthrop; two entries identified were Mrs. Richard E. Byrd, III at left and Charles S. Bird at the extreme right. (Reynolds Photo)



The championship form which took the tri-color at the Myopia Horse Show in September. Owner-rider Paul Fox and Cottage Chat took over again at the hunter trials to win the hunter championship trophy.

(Reynolds Photo)

ped. From the start, it was obvious that the drifting fog was going to give hounds trouble in this 19th New England Hunts Hound Trials, the first event on the day's program. The huntsmen did their best to cheer on the loose running hounds, but the mixed scents of deer and fox caused confusion until they reached higher ground. George Clement, Joint-Master of Myopia, followed hounds over the 5 mile course. While it was not possible for the spectators to follow, many members knew the position of their pack by their voice. As hounds came down the hill toward the spectators, Patton from Myopia and Manager from Norfolk led the pack. The two couples entered by the Norfolk Hunt Club came home 1st and were the winners of The New England Hunt Challenge Cup. The Dedham hounds, now merged with the Norfolk Hunt, were given special permission to make a separate entry and finished 2nd.

Hounds were still straggling in as the horn sounded for the 10th hunter trials to begin. The first pair to vie for the championship were Paul Fox wearing number one for Myopia, and John Grew of Norfolk riding Malcolm Stone's Kilfox which won the Mortimer Cup Steeplechase at the recent race meet. The next pair of Quansett's, Clovis, owned by Mrs. Richard E. Byrd III, and Dedham's Pegasus were no strangers, having met at the Norfolk Trials where owner-rider Miss Helen Powers won the Cabot-Jackson Cup for the best Dedham horse. Mrs. Gardner Fisk from Millwood and Zoe Cominos representing Groton followed. Mrs. Fisk's ride earned her

known show-off and plays all his tricks when in front of a crowd. Approaching the jump in front of the knoll, Kilbrac started his routine. A two-step to the left and one to the right brought the big chestnut into a barbed wire fence for a fall and elimination. Despite his clowning, Kilbrac showed his good hunting sense by remaining quiet as the judges and their assistants freed him from the wire. At a word from Mrs. Ayer, who rode over to the scene of the accident, the big horse got up and was galloped off the field with no harm done.

With the fall of Kilbrac, each hunt with the exception of Quansett and Dedham who had horses on the starting line, had lost the third horse of their teams. This fact, plus the natural handicap a rider experiences following an accident, probably made the pair of Mrs. John Grew and Miss Edith Lyman over anxious, for both were eliminated for going off the course. The tension of the trials was once again snapped as all teams returned to an even footing. Millwood sent their last horse Delbarton, ridden by Miss June Murray against Groton's Blue John, to end the trial. Miss Murray made a wonderful ride and earned enough points to take home The Prince Cup.

To pass the time while computations were being made, a hunt led by Joint-Masters Frederic Winthrop and George Clements was held for the members of the competing Clubs. A field of 25, including the show-off Kilbrac ridden by Mrs. Ayer, got away with the hounds running true. Many of the spectators basked in the warm autumn sun to wait for the

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Oregon Duke Jumper And Victory Hunter Champion At Seattle

The Traveller

Touring the Northwest was a pleasant diversion from the usual humdrum participation at California horse shows. It was a pleasant diversion in the fact that there was a lot of new scenery and faces to behold. Going to Seattle, Washington from Portland was a short jaunt in miles, but the distance that had to be traveled in the mud made up for everything else. However, the exhibitors overcame mother nature and concentrated on trying to get a passable performance over two inch rails, which was a difficult job to do when there were usually four post and rails twice around the ring. Only two of the hunters and jumpers exhibited from Portland made the journey, but they happen to be Pacific coast's leading stables. Barbara Worth and her stable, with the addition of Carbon Copy and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Egan with their hunters, let the Northerners know they were there. Trying to overcome the local talents feeling towards out of towners, didn't seem to make too much of a dent in the way that California horses swept the hunter and jumper classes. A. P. Fleming did the best he could at managing the 5-day affair from Oct. 13-17 of the Washington State International Horse Show.

Mrs. Robert Egan lead the field in the lightweight hunters, over Robert Egan's mount Scrap Iron, owned by Harold Hirsch, of Portland, Oregon. This was strictly a California event over a tricky course which was slipped in unbeknown to

turned into a real contender and was said to be the most improved horse of the show.

The \$1,000 championship jumper stake went to a good Canadian horse owned by H. L. Phillips. Gaylad negotiated the four in-and-outs with precision like accuracy. Howard Gass's Oregon Duke was next in line with a front down and just nosed out Barbara Worth's Balbriggan. Probably the hottest contested class of the show (and all year) was the knock-down-and-out. A battle between Howard Gass' Oregon Duke and the Double J. Ranch's Duke thrilled the crowd to a standing and cheering position. After three rounds of jumps offs, Miss Mary Russell rode Duke to the winner's circle over the California horse. Oregon Duke, however, had already stowed away the jumper sweepstake trophy.

In the high point brackets for hunters and jumpers, it was Oregon Duke for the jumping division, nosing out Gaylad and Balbriggan by one point. Oregon Duke tallied 15 points to be Washington State champion jumper. In the hunter division, Victory, scored 23 points to be champion hunter of the show. Scrap Iron totaled 22 points for his week's efforts.

Everyone was glad to see "get-away night" roll around. The show was over and everybody, including the horses, were dead tired. But the trek home is really always the longest.

October 13-17

October 13

Lightweight hunters—1. Victory, Egan Stables; 2. Scrap Iron, Harold Hirsch; 3. Triple Diamond, Philip Davis; 4. Carbon Copy, Peggy Platz.

Touch-and-out—1. Balbriggan, Mrs. J. B. Brown; 2. Good Friday, McCleaves Clearbrook Stables; 3. Light O' Day, Dincara Farm; 4. Dresden Souvenir, Margaret Anderson; 5.



Just one of many championships which Miss Mary Rogers' Victory has won on the West Coast was presented by Queen of the Los Angeles County Fair and Horse Show, Miss Sue Ficker. Victory has been ridden in her triumphs by Mrs. Robert Egan. (Stewart Photo)

some of the horse show committee. From then on it was post and rail time. This change didn't effect the tying any. Carbon Copy, which was bounced out of the trainer's hand who made him a stake horse, into Barbara Worth's string 1200 miles from home ground, prevailed upon his unquestionably 40 percent to win the ladies' class.

After a great deal of talking and convincing, the management saw fit to set in the ring the hunter fences that were on the grounds. Although the course set was not as suitable as it should have been to show off a smooth well mannered hunter, it was a diversion from around the slick wall. The championship in the \$1,000 conformation hunter stake was pinned on Miss Mary Rogers' Victory. This added another stake victory for this smart Thoroughbred shown by Mrs. Robert Egan. Scrap Iron was close behind in the reserve spot with a go equalling that of this chestnut horse. Victory, in very good flesh and color had the edge in the 40 percent column, over Harold Hirsch's grey. The grey horse showed a remarkable improvement in his appearance and performances, compared to the rounds turned in at the Pacific International.

Mr. Egan took this Thoroughbred over four days before the Seattle show. The marked difference was so great that Scrap Iron, who has been just another entry for two years,

Gaylad, H. L. Phillips.

October 14

Jumper sweepstake—1. Oregon Duke, Howard Gass.

Ladies' hunters—1. Carbon Copy, Peggy Platz; 2. Scrap Iron, Harold Hirsch; 3. Victory, Egan Stables; 4. Triple Diamond, Philip Davis; 5. Dale Baker, Barbara Worth Stable.

October 15

Skyscraper—1. Carbon Copy, Peggy Platz; 2. Bantu, Catherine Chilton; 3. Chittawney, Harold W. Joss; 4. Gaylad, H. L. Phillips; 5. Sleepy Irish, Jane Tozer.

Middle and heavyweight hunters—1. Dale Raker, Barbara Worth Stables; 2. Gaylad, H. L. Phillips; 3. Chittawney, Harold W. Joss; 4. Lady of War, Mr. and Mrs. Jim P. Hall; 5. Sky Rocket, Gladys M. Ferry.

October 1

Hunter championship stake—1. Victory, Egan Stables; 2. Scrap Iron, Harold Hirsch; 3. Carbon Copy, Peggy Platz; 4. Token, Barbara Worth Stables; 5. Sleepy Irish, Jane Tozer; 6. Gaylad, H. L. Phillips; 7. Dale Raker, Barbara Worth Stables; 8. Lady O'War, Mr. and Mrs. Jim P. Hall; 9. Flame, Helen Cook; 10. Triple Diamond, Philip Davis.

Knock-down-and-out—1. Duke, Double J. Ranch; 2. Oregon Duke, Howard Gass; 3. Light O' Day, Dincara Farm; 4. Gaylad, H. L. Phillips; 5. Charcoal, Highlands School of Riding.

Handy hunters—1. Gaylad, H. L. Phillips; 2. Flame, Helen Cook; 3. Victory, Egan Stables; 4. Sleepy Irish, Jane Tozer; 5. Carbon Copy, Peggy Platz.

October 17

Jumper stake—1. Gaylad, H. L. Phillips; 2. Oregon Duke, Howard Gass; 3. Balbriggan, Mrs. J. B. Brown; 4. Dresden Souvenir, Margaret Anderson; 5. Charcoal, Highland School of Riding; 6. Sleepy Irish, Jane Tozer; 7. Chittawney, Harold W. Joss; 8. Tona, Jane Tozer; 9. Sky Centennial, Mrs. John Osburn; 10. Traps Blarney, Mrs. J. H. Gilpin.

Hunters, riders in livery—1. Carbon Copy, Peggy Platz; 2. Scrap Iron, Harold Hirsch; 3. Victory, Egan Stables; 4. Token, Barbara Worth Stables; 5. Dale Raker, Barbara Worth

Association of Maryland Horse Shows Presents Championship Awards

Luther W. Shephard

The Association of Maryland Horse Shows held its 13th annual banquet at the Park Plaza Hotel in Baltimore on Friday evening, Nov. 12. Toastmaster for the occasion was the association's president, Henry Dentry.

Following the dinner, Mr. Dentry commented on the wonderful attendance and interest when he stated, "We hope that you all will be present at the annual meeting on January 14 or send your representative so as to set dates for next year's shows".

After the brief remarks of the toastmaster, the presentation of the awards for accomplishments made by the riders and their mounts throughout the year commenced.

In the small pony division, Billy Boyce III won the honors on Spice with 205 points. In the middle-size ponies it was Billy Hoy's Surprise which is still state champion after being pinned the same honor for the past two years. With the large ponies it was again Easter Hal owned and ridden by Teddy Le Carpentier. Easter Hal was champion in both '46 and '47.

The Gittings awards this year have been set up into several divisions. For the youngster who is winning the class for the first time the trophy is of bronze; if for the second time it is of silver; if for the third time it is of gold. The Gittings class is opened to riders who have not reached their 18th birthday and is judged on the youngster's ability to guide and control his mount over jumps.

The gold awards went to Jacklyn Ewing, Fritz Burkhardt, Billy Hoy and Teddy Le Carpentier.

The Kelly Sisters of Upper Marlboro with their consistent little

black mare, Maryland Miss, are again in the highlights. Maryland Miss with 89 points was awarded the trophy representing the working hunter championship prize for the state during the current year.

H. O. Firor's made-to-order Blue Ridge was the winner of two trophies. One for capturing the green hunter championship; the other for capturing the conformation hunter championship.

George Fitzpatrick's amazing grey mare, Party Miss, which piled up 152 points during the season, claimed herself the jumper title.

The evening was climaxed with the showing of the recently completed 28 minute film, The Maryland Horse. Humphrey S. Finney, Field Secretary of the Maryland Horse Breeders Association and Editor of the Maryland Horse, made brief comments on the film where he stated that the film may be borrowed for any horse banquet or get-together in the state.

Championship Awards

Working hunter—Maryland Miss, John L. Kelly, 89 points. Post Meridian, George di Paula, 69 points.

Conformation hunter—Blue Ridge, H. O. Firor, 77 points. Jolly Scott, Nola Rognley, 44 points.

Green hunter—Blue Ridge, H. O. Firor, 68 points. My Lady's Hero, Mrs. Lawrence Holdridge, 18 points.

Jumper—Party Miss, George Fitzpatrick, 152 points. Reno Kurd, Charles Gartrell, 91 points.

Small ponies—Spice, Billy Boyce III, 205 points. Napoleon, Barbara Kade, 120 points.

Medium ponies—Surprise, Billy Hoy, 132 points. Champ, Alden and Mickey Hopkins, 69 points.

Large ponies—Easter Hal, Teddy Le Carpentier, 114 points. Moonbeam, Jacklyn Ewing, 93 points.

Gittings horsemanship—Bronze Awards: Claire Taylor, Peggy Skipper, Barbara Staley, Joyce Burkheimer, Martha Sterbak, Barbara Taze, Alden Hopkins, Barbara Kade, Sidney Gadd, Teddy Johnson.

Silver Awards: John Hoy, Sissy Moore, Irvin Naylor.

Gold Awards: Teddy Le Carpentier, Fritz Burkhardt, Billy Hoy, Jacklyn Ewing.

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Hunter Trials At Fairfield-Westchester

Big Bulldozer Outstanding Over 2½ Mile Course As Hounds and Horsemen Gather To Compete From Neighboring Hunts

Migi Serrell

Perhaps it is only fair to say that we don't live right, up here in the North, for who would believe that after 8 weeks of dry weather (enough to distract the Hunting folk) the one Sunday Fairfield and Westchester picked for their Hunter Trials it rained with a vengeance. Not only rain but a high wind and low temperature.

That Sunday, October 24th, was preceded by a very eventful and good Saturday. The Drag Hounds met at Mr. R. I. Robinson's stable at 10:00 a. m. and ran a nice drag ending at Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Gimbel's home at noon for "Breakfast". There were approximately 30 people in the field and added guests at the breakfast made for a gala party during which eleven (11) hounds were auctioned off for the Hound Trial held during the luncheon recess at the Hunter Trials the following day. Those eleven hounds were representing our neighboring hunts. Three (3) from the Rombout Hunt in Po'keepsie, N. Y., two (2) from the Litchfield County Hunt, three (3) from our good neighbors in Fairfield County, Westport, Conn., and of course three (3) of our own Fairfield and Westchester Drag hounds. The auctioneer, Mr. Robinson, worked on the group, after cock-tails and a superb luncheon had mellowed most of the members. The gross figure realized from the sale of the hounds made a pool of \$23.00, 25 per cent of which went toward the paneling fund. The three fortunate people holding the first three winning tickets stood to collect around \$1700.00 divided 60 per cent to the 1st place ticket, 30 per cent to the 2nd place and 10 per cent to the holder of the 3rd place. It was great fun and shows what people will do towards their local Hunt. The trials themselves were a success in spite of the rain on Sunday. The spectators got a good idea of how a pack works a "drag" which was laid over the 2 1-2 mile course and the cheering section outdid themselves at the finish line. Rombout had the winner, "Blondie".

The Hunter Trials took place as usual at Yale Farms. There were 7 classes for seasoned hunters the most interesting of which was the "Gordon Grand First Flight Plate".

The winner "Big Bulldozer" was a grand smooth going bay horse 6 years, owned by Mr. R. I. Robinson and ridden by Diana Bolling. He showed manners, and great ability to jump in perfect balance. The entire class was filled with pretty flawless hunters fit and up to staying on a good run in anybody's country. "Bulldozer" went on to take the championship, with Mrs. Morton Green's "Santro Peg" in reserve.

A word about the course, which is laid out over natural rolling

country as pretty a 2 1-2 miles as one could wish for. The fences are clean, not too big and vary from chicken coops to an aiken. Each fence can be taken at a good hunting pace and a horse which is not fit can well stay home. I personally feel that I know of no other course in the country that gives as much pleasure to riders and very few horses fail to go well.

In spite of the weather a good gallery was on hand and even those who rode in the rain enjoyed the day.

October 24

Ladies' hunter—1. San Tropez, Mrs. C. W. Govern; 2. Huntsman, Francis Pryor; 3. Lightfoot, Louise Munson; 4. Saint Ives, Mrs. Lewis Greenleaf.

Middle and heavyweight hunters—1. Big Bulldozer, Richard I. Robinson; 2. San Tropez, Mrs. C. W. Govern; 3. Barrister, Henry L. Heming; 4. Sir Galator, Pat McAleenan.

Fairfield-Westchester Hounds, junior hunt cup—1. Entry, Francis Pryor; 2. Charmant E. Norah Hawkins; 3. Silpup, Miss Hanlon; 4. Entry, Winkle Metcalf.

Lightweight hunters—1. Redland, Peter Robinson; 2. Yorky, C. Howard Birch; 3. Richard the Great, Mary Gilman; 4. No Play Cynthia Howland.

Working hunters—1. Big Bulldozer, Richard I. Robinson; 2. Mollie Baum, Sherman F. Haight, Jr.; 3. Swaggyman, Richard I. Robinson; 4. Sir Galator, Patrick McAleenan.

Handy hunters—1. Big Bulldozer, R. J. Robinson; 2. Swaggyman, R. J. Robinson; 3. Saint Ives, Mrs. Lewis Greenleaf; 4. Yorky, C. Howard Birch.

Golden's Bridge challenge trophy for hunt teams—1. Entry, Fairfield County Hounds; 2. Entry, Fairfield and Westchester Hounds.

Championship hunter—Big Bulldozer, Richard I. Robinson. Reserve—San Tropez, Mrs. C. W. Govern.

Judges—Mrs. Edgar Scott, Col. Howard Fair.

Letters To The Editor

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taking up the reader's time in The Chronicle with their petty grievances in regard to the showing of horses. Let's all work together and spend our time helping this sport in every way we can and less time criticizing and finding fault with ourselves and other people.

Yours very sincerely
Joe Maguire

Workable F.E.I. Rules

Dear Sir:

A write-up of the Valley Forge Olympic Horse Show in the November 12th issue of The Chronicle mentioned, briefly, interest afforded spectators by F. E. I. rules. As spectators play a role of ever-increasing importance in the success of horse shows, it would, perhaps, be well to elaborate on this interest.

When one has gone to show after show, week after week and seen the same open horses and riders compete over similar courses it is enlightening to see the horse and riders competing over strange jumps under new circumstances. When one

has watched the majority of them jog tediously between fences, twist into incredible positions over the fences, one becomes just a little impatient with the rules and courses that do not penalize that kind of performance. One wonders how many winning performances hark back to hot linament and the tack pole and how many hark back to extra hours of careful schooling. Most spectators prefer the latter but are not sure it is the case.

Therefore, it was with much interest and considerable doubt that this particular spectator hid himself to the Valley Forge Show. What would the joggers do when asked to gallop between fences? How would the twisters squeeze through the five foot-wide stile or horizontal crossed rails? Did the paroxysmal type of performance denote lack of ability or schooling? Or was it merely the fashionable way to show an open horse? This spectator thought he knew.

From the Barrienspringer with horse after horse negotiating the string of thirty-six foot in and outs with grace and smoothness to the intricate Olympic and Stake classes studded with fine performances and fine horsemanship, the Valley Forge Show made it clear that there are many more honest, well-schooled open horses than this spectator ever dreamed. The horse he saw yester-

day or the week before twisting and jogging can and will go honestly if given the opportunity.

This show, with its F. E. I. rules, gave horses the opportunity and the resulting exhibition of ability and courage on the part of horses and riders was a beautiful thing to see.

The writer must apologize to the open horse people for doubting their ability to do it; but he does wish their fashions would be changed to free and sustained performances—they're a lot more interesting to watch.

A Pennsylvania Spectator.

Editor's Note: It is a policy of The Chronicle to use only letters signed by the writer but as this letter is so clearly expressed and brings out such an interesting point in favor of a change in rules for open horses, it is published here in its entirety. In the future I hope the unidentified writer will sign his or her comments, they are worthy a signature.

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Avon Old Farms Holds First Hunter Trials At Farmington Valley

The Observer

On Sunday, November 14th the first Avon Old Farms Hunter Trials were held at Avon Old Farms in Avon, Conn. for the benefit of the Avon Steeple Fund. The fund is for the reconstruction of a steeple on the First Congregational Church of Avon which was destroyed by the 1938 hurricane, and is an historical landmark.

The Trials were held in a very picturesque setting in the heart of the Farmington Valley, with about 3,500 people in attendance.

Although the event failed to bring out the Hunts in the surrounding territory there were plenty of entries in all classes due to the cooperation of the Ethel Walker School, Miss Porter's School, Dana Hall and Teela Wooket Camp, Avon Old Farms and several junior members of the Golden Bridge Hounds, together with individual entries which made the total entries about 150.

The Dana Hall School and Teela Wooket Camp horses were outstanding throughout the Trials. Paljas, a chestnut gelding and ridden throughout the day by Miss Janet Cohan took three blues, ie. Children's Hunters, ridden by children over 15 years of age, Middleweight Hunters and Ladies' Hunters and ended up Champion Hunter of the Trials with 15 points. Dana Hall School also took first in the Junior Hunt Teams.

The competition was most keen for the reserve championship with Irish Lad owned and ridden by Miss Norah Hawkins of Bedford, N. Y. and Houseguest owned and ridden by Miss Carol Hall of Medfield, Mass., ending up one-half point apart with Irish Lad taking the reserve championship.

Unexpected II, owned and ridden by Mr. Victor Tantalio of Suffield, Conn. had an outstanding round to win the Heavyweight Hunters.

The course being about a mile and a third long with plenty of room to gallop between fences, the horses began to tire as the day wore on which brought about a few spills none of them serious to horse or rider.

Mrs. John H. Gibbons was Honorary Chairman, the Co-Chairman were Mrs. Natalie Galbraith, Mr. Donald W. Pierpont, Mrs. Horace Whitman was Secretary and Mr. Earl C. Whelden, Jr., Managing Director.

November 14

Children's hunters—1. Houseguest, Carol Hall; 2. Irish Lad, Norah Hawkins; 3. Sun Guard, Betty Haight; 4. Little Red, J. Lawrence.

Lightweight hunters—1. Smarty Pants, B. R. Hammons, agt; 2. Martial Maid, Lorrimer Armstrong; 3. Alex, Dana Hall School and Teela Wooket C.; 4. Little Red, J. Lawrence.

Children's hunters—1. Paljas, Dana Hall School and Teela Wooket C.; 2. Alex, Dana Hall and Teela Wooket C.; 3. Divorcee, Michael Wettach; 4. Martial Maid, Lorrimer Armstrong.

Middleweight hunters—1. Paljas, Dana Hall School and Teela Wooket C.; 2. Houseguest, Carol Hall; 3. Divorcee, Michael Wettach; 4. Me Too, Betsy Payson.

Heavyweight hunters—1. Unexpected, Victor Tantalio; 2. Waterford, S. Alpert; 3. Irish Lad, Norah Hawkins; 4. Spanish Prince, Stanley T. Dunn.

Ladies' hunters—1. Paljas, Dana Hall School

Coeglen Wins Essex Hunter Trials For 3rd Consecutive Time

Nancy Gaddis Heller

Only one of the five hunting grandmothers of the Essex field, all of whom are in the first flight, was represented on October 31st at their hunter trials which were held at the hunt club in Peapack, New Jersey. Mrs. Lester Perrine was the one—and showed her own good Coeglen, plus one of Evander Schley's both side saddle. Both were good performances, among many good performances, but there was little doubt that Coeglen, a nice looking dark bay, which has won the Essex hunter trials for the past two years, would not repeat for the third straight time.

There was only one class, with 30 entries, though there were five scratches. This was rather a disappointment to me, as I had been told that there are about 70 regulars in the Essex hunting field, and I had hoped to see a larger representation. However, the previous day had been their race meet and from all reports, it had been a strenuous week-end for most of Somerset County, and what we did see was all good!

The course was about half a mile over natural country, with ten fences—a trappy twisting course, rather than a galloping one. Informality and casualness was the key note of the whole afternoon, which was most pleasant though perhaps a bit overdone. My one criticism would be that few horses went off a slow canter. The only entries to go at a real hunting pace were those ridden by the Johnson brothers. However, to reverse this, all the horses exhibited cleverness and handiness, and most of them looked like nice rides to hounds.

There were few breedily looking ones, which accounts for the slow movers, and I was told that the reason so many women were riding cold-blooded heavyweights was that, like all good wives, they share their hunters with their husbands, and all proved their usefulness.

Mrs. Perrine combined usefulness with classiness and gave a really delightful performance. Her Coeglen went over the trappy, though small, course as lightly as a feather never taking a hold, and never making a mistake. Though conformation did not count, he is good looking and had more foot than most of the others. He certainly deserved his win, as no horse could have shown better manners!

Collister Johnson's Kildare was 2nd with his owner up, and gave

and Teela Wooket C.; 2. Sun Guard, Betty Haight; 3. Divorcee, Michael Wettach; 4. Houseguest, Carol Hall.

Junior hunt team—1. Dana Hall School; Alex, Paljas, Dana Hall School and Teela Wooket C.; 2. Glengarry, Sally Lane; 3. Golden Bridge Hounds; Deuce, Denny Haight; Charmante, Norah Hawkins; Sun Guard, Betty Haight; 3. Avon Old Farms; Lucky, B. R. Hammons; Little Red, J. Lawrence; Patrick, Harry Hartley; 4. Ethel Walker School; Rio Rita, Gladys Terbell; Maid of the Mist, Nancy Simmons; Lollypop, Ethel Walker School.

Champion hunter—Paljas, Dana Hall School and Teela Wooket C. Reserve—Irish Lad, Norah Hawkins.

Judges—George Clement, Frank Powers, David Vogels.

another round which was hard to fault. His pace was faster and more even, and he jumped cleverly and carefully—the kind that one would like to own oneself! The Gambrills had two entries—old Parma, the well-known ex-chaser, which was ridden by Mrs. Joseph Walker, daughter of the late Mrs. W. Plunket Stewart. His age began to show, and he wouldn't go over the 4th fence, which was a disappointment to all those who knew him when he won so much for Ray Woolfe. The other Gambrill entry did better—owned by their daughter, Mrs. James Casey, Silver Fox, was ridden by Miss Alice Whitney, took the yellow ribbon, going around so cleverly and wisely that he looked as if a beginner could hunt him.

The master of the Nantucket harriers, Mrs. W. W. Trimpi, was 4th with her Sister, giving another clever and even performance. Just nosed out of the ribbons was Amberbrook, a good looking son of Amberjack, which was bred and schooled by his owner-rider Shelton Martin and had won these trials in 1945, before Coeglen came on the scene. Also brought back for a final inspection was Omack, which is owned and ridden by hon. whipper-in Ben Johnson, and which I liked very much indeed. He fenced perfectly and his pace was just right.

The afternoon was nicely finished with an exhibition of the Essex Fox hounds by huntsman Buster Chadwell, a member of that renowned hunting family, and 1st whipper-in Jimmy Kelly. These American hounds are matched, predominately white, looked in fine hunting shape, and with beautiful manners.

Judges Mrs. John West of Radnor and Henry Cox of Ambler did a good job and seemed to satisfy everyone, and the committee which was headed by John Pierrepont, Sec., of the Essex, deserve credit for a good afternoon's sport—especially so was Eddie Talmadge who was so helpful, informative, and hospitable, which is so important in making strangers feel at home.

October 31

Working Hunters—1. Coeglen, Mrs. Lester Perrine; 2. Kildare, Collister Johnson; 3. Silver Fox, Mrs. James Casey; 4. Sister, Mrs. W. W. Trimpi. (One class, 30 entries.)

Judges—Mrs. John West, Henry Cox.

Mrs. S. C. Badger's Cabby Tops Hunters At Norfolk Hunt Club

Glacy-Maloney

Mrs. Sherwin C. Badger riding her bay hunter, Cabby, topped a field of 27 of this section's best to win the hunter championship at the trails of the Norfolk Hunt Club held at the Dedham Country and Polo Club, Dedham, Mass. A record crowd gathered on the side of the hill beside the polo field to watch her handily cover a tricky course consisting of 15 jumps, craftily laid out to duplicate the hunting country typical of New England.

Judge William Almy, Jr., M. F. H. of the Quonset Hunt Club, awarded this smooth performance the hunter championship and the Hathaway Plate for the best Norfolk horse. Wild cheers from this sporting crowd greeted Frank Crocker's announcement that, besides these coveted awards, Mrs. Badger's Cabby was also judged the winner of the Warren Cup presented to the best horse from any recognized hunt club.

Miss Helen Powers, riding her ladies hunter, Pegasus, was winner of the Cabot-Jackson Cup for the best Dedham horse. Other notable performances were turned in by Miss Carol Hall riding Ard Righ Stable's Lady Leaf, John Grew riding Mrs. Malcolm Stone's Hill Fox, which

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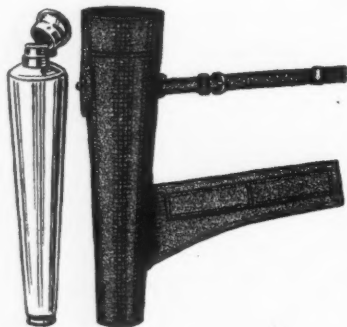
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Night Hunting With Three Couple



A Huntsman Takes His Hounds Out On A Moonlight Night and They Drive Their Fox To Earth In Sporting Style

Shirley W. Burr

It is just an hour before midnight. The car pulls off the main road and slowly wends its way into the dark depths of Morehouse Lane. It finally pulls to a stop and the penetrating headlights are turned off. Silence and the night engulf the vehicle. The back door is opened and out burst three couple of eager hounds, startled by the chill fall temperature after their crowded, hot and steamy ride.

The full foxhunter's moon casts its eerie, beautiful light on the huntsman and six hounds who busily but silently start to accustom themselves to their surroundings. A short blast on the horn brings Venus to her huntsman's heel, her white companionpiece, Viper, close behind, both eager to be about their business.

Moonmade shadows follow them under a post and rail. Down through the pasture they pack, until their passage is halted by a brook. "Lieu-in, lads, lieu-in," the huntsman calls, but a thin layer of splintering ice makes even Vanguard seek an easier way to cross. The lure of the chase finally gets the best of Traveler, and he's across. One by one, the others follow. Only the two humans on the other side are left enveloped in the dark coldness as hounds disappear in the night to seek their fox.

Five minutes drag by—then ten. It seems like eternity itself. Senses strain for the sound of hounds. Surely they've gone over the hill and on to the next covert beyond hearing. Then, hark!—There's Tarzan's deep voice on the ridge, directly above and to the right, telling the others he thinks he's found. "Come, come," he cries. Viper tells him he, too, has found where Brother Fox has passed. "Here he's gone. Come this way. On-on-on" speak two more late comers, dashing on too fast. Silence again. Then Tarzan opens, once more true to the line. He patiently works his way to the top of the hill. "Slowly now," he warns the others. Then suddenly the hillside resounds. All six hounds proclaim at last they have the red one up and going. Out of the covert, running hard to the north, hounds warm to the chase as their fox straightens away.

Back on the road, the car backs and turns to retrace the way to the main road. Off it again and on another dirt lane to try to stay with hounds as they race madly on. When the car stops there is only silence, the cold and the stark moon. The two climb out and find their way to a nearby rise. The huntsman feels with his horn for his hounds. Still silence engulfs the pair. Back to the car and farther on. Sixth sense says hounds have already crossed this road and gone on. Chance takes the wheel and takes the occupants farther to the north, farther yet, to "old man Wakeman's" place where once again the two climb out to listen.

"Hark! Is that them running to the left?" Faintly music is heard over there, coming in faint whiffs in the silent night. Quiet now! Perhaps the fox is in the offing. Leaving the car in darkness, huntsman and companion take their chilly posts beside the road. They hardly dare to breath or stamp a near numb foot. Waiting, waiting, as hounds sing their song in the distance, closer now and louder. There, there comes, our fox, over that wall and onto the road. He stops on the road. A pad

raised, he looks to right, to left. The moon outlines his exhausted shape and heavy dragging brush. Then up the road he turns, leaving his silent observers guessing whence he went in the night.

Hounds not more than a quarter mile behind, burst onto the road with the white hounds, Venus and Viper vying for lead positions. Eagerness sends them across the road and into the swamp on the other side. "Hold hard boys," they cry. "We've missed him." Voices silenced, only crackling underbrush tell their whereabouts. They spread fan-like and retrace their way time and time again. The moonlight picks out their mottled shapes as they come into the clearing. "Try on. Try on, lads," the huntsman cries. "Seek him out. Find him, boys". Still no hound tells of the fox's path. A low whistle brings heads up and still sterner. One by one, they go to the road to their huntsman. He walks slowly in the direction he last saw their beaten fox. "Lieu in, lads, Try-try-try". A hundred feet up the road, Vanguard calls to the rest, "Here he's gone, back where he came from. Come!" Once again the air is filled with resounding hound music as they follow the trail back to the south country.

The headlights of the car flash on and no time is wasted to be on the way. The chase can't last for long now as a glance at a watch shows that it's well past one. There's been no let up for fox or hounds. Darting down one road and then another, hounds are kept within hearing at occasional stops, when both passengers climb out to lend an ear. The music leads them on to Pumpkin Farm where the pair leave their darkened car, and climb to a hilltop outlook. There hounds can be seen below blanketed in the moonlight. They run closely packed and straight as an arrow toward the covert beyond. Into the brush they burst and shortly their forward progress stops. "They've denned him. Let's go and see how they mark him". Down the hill race the pair stumbling, wishing for four legged creatures beneath them. There they are, all six hounds working at the earth. Music is halfway in. Only her busy stern is left above ground. Vanguard close by, tells the world of their fox's fate.

"He-e-e boys, come along", and a few sharp commanding blasts on the horn bring all six to silence. Gradually they pull themselves away. The cold of the night has long been forgotten. As the small party makes its way, pleasantly exhausted the weariness of legs, the freezing silent night to kennels, bed and warmer dreams of foxes yet to hunt.

Iroquois Hunt Club Opens Formal Hunting Season On November 6

Ruth Hardin

The Iroquois Hunt Club, Lexington, Ky., opened the formal hunting season, on November 6, with a gala week-end, entertaining the Camargo Hunt of Cincinnati at the Blessing of Hounds, the Master's breakfast, a dinner party at the club Saturday evening, and a luncheon given by Col. Thomas J. Johnson at Polohunt farm on Sunday.

The Camargo guests were, O. De Gray Vanderbilt, Master, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard S. Smith, (Mr. Smith, Joint-Master), Mr. and Mrs. Phillip J. Schneider, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar J. Mack, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Guy Randolph, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Keeken, Mrs. Thomas W. Berger, John C. Clippenger, James Rheimstrom, John R. Deupree, Gordon Pope, Miss Dorothy Rawson, Miss Betty Randolph, Miss Ann Upson, Leonard S. Smith III and Phillip V. Schneider.

The Master's breakfast given by Edward F. Spears and W. Fauntleroy Piersley, Joint-Masters, assisted by Mrs. Spears and Mrs. Piersley, was as colorful an occasion as one could imagine. The four seasoned masters from Camargo and Iroquois looked as though they had just stepped from a storybook. Mrs. Berger becomingly attired in side-saddle regalia and the handsome young Bishop, William R. Moody of the Episcopal Diocese of Lexington, lent a touch of grand old England. Every age group was represented in hunting colors, but the zest for living that shone in each face made them all young.

The charming old clubhouse, built in 1804, of handsome logs, was artistically decorated with enormous bouquets of autumn flowers and leaves, pink coats made a vivid splash of color against the mellow, ancient, log walls. Tables were laden with turkey hash, country ham, scrambled eggs, fried apples, unsweetened cornbread (in spite of Yankees), coffee, etc.

After the feasting, 57 riders, their horses, and part of the pack gathered in front of the clubhouse for the Blessing. More than one eye was moist as Bishop Moody, so touchingly, emphasized the real significance of the service, the blessing of the creations of nature, our thankfulness for the privilege of enjoying the outdoors and all worthwhile sports. A medal signifying St. Hubert, Patron Saint of Hunting, was placed on each rider as a protection against physical and spiritual harm.

Following the service, the field hacked to the Athens-Boonesborough Road where Dennis Murphy, huntsman, cast the pack of twenty couple of hounds into a wonderful country of open bluegrass fields.

Unfortunately the sport as to hound work was not as good as the pack has been furnishing. A fox carried them away into a tightly fenced, unfriendly country. However, there was one hard run with the pack and a full afternoon of galloping over the most perfect terrain. However, the guests were seemingly delighted with the beautiful rolling country where 50 horses could gallop abreast, the stone walls, lively streams, magnificent cliffs, etc.

In spite of the lack of hound work the Camargo group went back to the hotel after hunting and stayed over two hours. Mr. Spears and Mr. Piersley were found stretched at full length on the floor upstairs in the clubhouse. (Before cocktails).

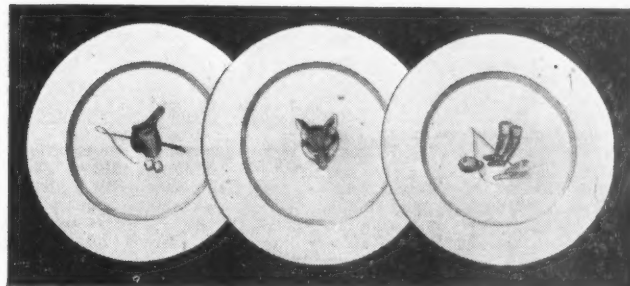
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South Wind Fails To Check Cheshire On 4-Mile Point

Saturday, 13th November, 1948

Our old friend John Jorrock once said, "There's nothing as queer as scent, 'cept women." Perhaps it's true. Last night it was blustery, very rainy and wet, and this morning as one left for the meet the golden cock on the stable was pointing due south; two not very cheering omens for the day. However, the sun came through the clouds a few minutes before hounds met, foxes were on foot despite the storm and the South wind only seemed to make scent more holding; so perhaps Mr. Jorrock was right.

From the Maulton fixture hounds were jogged over the road to Carter's Thicket, but found it unavailing, then on to South Club Hill, and when nearly at the top end of this half mile long covert the bitches opened with a roar, and breaking out on the easterly side gave their galloping field of seventy about the fastest fifty-five minutes any of them had seen for a long time. Racing through the Bromley breeding paddocks, and crossing the road to Carter's Thicket, hounds sailed away over the sound turf of the Hundred Acre field, crossed the State Road to Maulton, and pointing for the duPont Quarry ran on down country to Woodside, over the road to Brooklawn Wood and on through Saw Mill; then swinging right-handed to Woodburn's Clearing it looked as if our pilot's destination might be London Grove; but bearing right just beyond the ruins of the old Mercer barn, hounds ran over the wheat to Pierce's Swamp where their perspiring pursuers had a moment's respite while these savage ladies ran a ring in covert; then emerging on the south side, crossed the Street Road to Landhope, and fairly flying down these lovely water meadows they disappeared in the dense covert beyond; then turning right-handed ran on over Landhope to the road to the West Pasture to mark this gallant fox to ground on the hillside facing the little brook.

Inverbrook with its lovely lake and spacious stables was just over the way, so a short halt was made there for a sandwich and a glass of port; but hounds were barely over the hill on the Lofting farm than the heavens opened, the floods descended, the winds came and Jupiter Pluvius did his utmost to mar our prospects of further sport. Branches crashed from trees and one fair Diana of the Chace was saved from serious injury only by the stoutness of one of Mr. Lock's coke hats.

Quite regardless of the elements, these Cheshire bitches opened to the line of another fox, and running across the vale to Stony Battery crossed to Bernard's Thicket, and bearing south again went through North Club Hill, crossed the State Road to South Club Hill, then swinging out nearly to Hood's Corner, bore right-handed through the Jones' farm, and keeping the Whitney house on their right, turned right again over Mrs. Weir's

Goldens Bridge Enjoys Good Hunting Despite Unusually Dry Weather

Thursday, October 21

This was the birthday of our huntsman, Ben Funk, and marked his 24th season with the Goldens Bridge Hounds. We met at "Waterfall Farm," the home of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Browning and drew over Walter Hampden's farm. Hounds found the minute they were cast in swamp between Hampden's and John Wheeler's and went away fast over the back end of Vail farm, crossing Spring Valley Road then swinging right running strongly to the macadam road at Ridgebury. While hounds were cast across the road over Daniel McKeon's, the fox had not crossed the road but doubled back through heavy blueberry bushes via Mr. Lang's crossing Chestnut Ridge Road via Old Trolley Road. As they were running strong over Joseph Delhi's swamp 3 nice big doe galloped out in front of the field and a few of our young hounds started off after the venison but were whipped off. We drew the north end of Merry's wood where we jumped a big Red and raced over 8 Bells and Ives' farms on to near Danbury-Brewster Road (Route 6) where they swung right on to Mr. Gillogby's and went to earth. We found our 3rd fox in pine wood on 8-Bells Farm and ran over to Dongle Ridge where we viewed fox crossing road near Donald Hanaburgh's home and ran over near Peach Lake, doubled back over Cunningham and Ross properties and marked in near starting point. About 4 hours and a very interesting morning with plenty of good jumps. The Master, R. L. Parish, decided to call it a day and we hacked in from Bulkley's.

Saturday, October 23

Met at the Master's home, "Rock Ridge Farm", drew west of Mr. Cowles' and found in first swamp we cast in William Meldrum's farm. Hounds really opened with a great burst and raced south to Battery Farm wood where pack split on 2 foxes, one swinging, sharply to the right and returned almost to starting point where it dropped in an earth. The other had run over by Salem Center near George Hartwell's house then north over Charles Wallace's and after we got them all together ran fast to Hardscrabble Road. With the pack running strong they swung right and crossed over

broad pastures and upstanding fences towards Fulton's Sheep Hill; but keeping the Sheep Hill a bit on their left ran on down country on very much the same line as our previous pilot; only instead of pointing his mask towards Woodburn's, this gallant fox went over Baldwin's, and keeping Brooklawn on their right hounds ran over the Upland Road to Pinkerton's where they were stopped and thus ended this day of brilliant sport and a four-mile point.—Martin Gale.

concrete road over open fields on Lobdell farm, across Howe farm through von Gal swamp, on over Edson Nichols'. As they ran through the apple orchard, a large doe loped easily out over open fields; with no hounds pursuing her she strolled back into swamp. We picked up our fox in Meadow Lane swampland and raced on over to North Salem Road near Ernie Russell's stable, then swung left back over Nichols' and Meadow Lane and back to Rock Ridge Farm where our fox dropped in. About 4 hours and a very good morning.

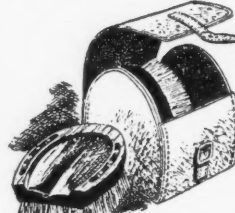
Thursday, October 28

Met at the Horse Show grounds. A good-sized field turned out and drew over Meadow Lane and Vail farms. A heavy frost covered the ground early but was leaving as we moved off. We picked up a line but failed to get our fox running. We drew von Gal swamp blank, also the usual good coverts on Meldrum and Wallace farms. We found in Battery Farm wood and ran fast for about 20 minutes over Rock Ridge and by Cowles' pond over near Salem Acres and marked in near pine wood on Mr. Raymond's. We found a 2nd fox on Bloomer's property and ran fast over Star Ridge and doubled back along west shore of Peach Lake and dropped in near starting point. Very warm, hounds could carry line well in open but had trouble in woods due to the heavy fall of leaves.

Saturday, October 30th

Met at 8-Bells Farm at 8 A. M. with a field of 25 turning out at this favorite meeting place. We found soon after starting out in Merry's wood and raced over Dongle Ridge. As we neared Spring Valley a very large buck jumped up in front of pack so we lifted our hounds and hunted back through Merry's wood and found in swamp on Mr. Lee's farm in Ridgebury and ran over Lyman Keeler's farm and went to earth in 8-Bells Farm. We found a good running fox near Dongle Ridge Road in Mr. Pietch's wood. Hounds raced over Dongle Ridge, over Vail's then swung right over Mr. Richardson's and 8-Bells and though at one point hounds were so close they could al-

most bite Reynard he slipped away and after about 35 minutes marked in on Mr. Ross' farm. Temperature more suitable for August. It really seems remarkable how the hounds can carry a line so well as the ground was dry as powder but good sport continues. Mr. Parish called it a day at 12 o'clock. The Field was lavishly entertained immediately afterward at "Wild Oaks", the home of Mrs. Richard C. Bondy, at a Hunt Breakfast given by Mrs. Bondy, Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Chambers, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard F. Gimbel, Mr. and Mrs. Everest D. Continued on Page Seventeen



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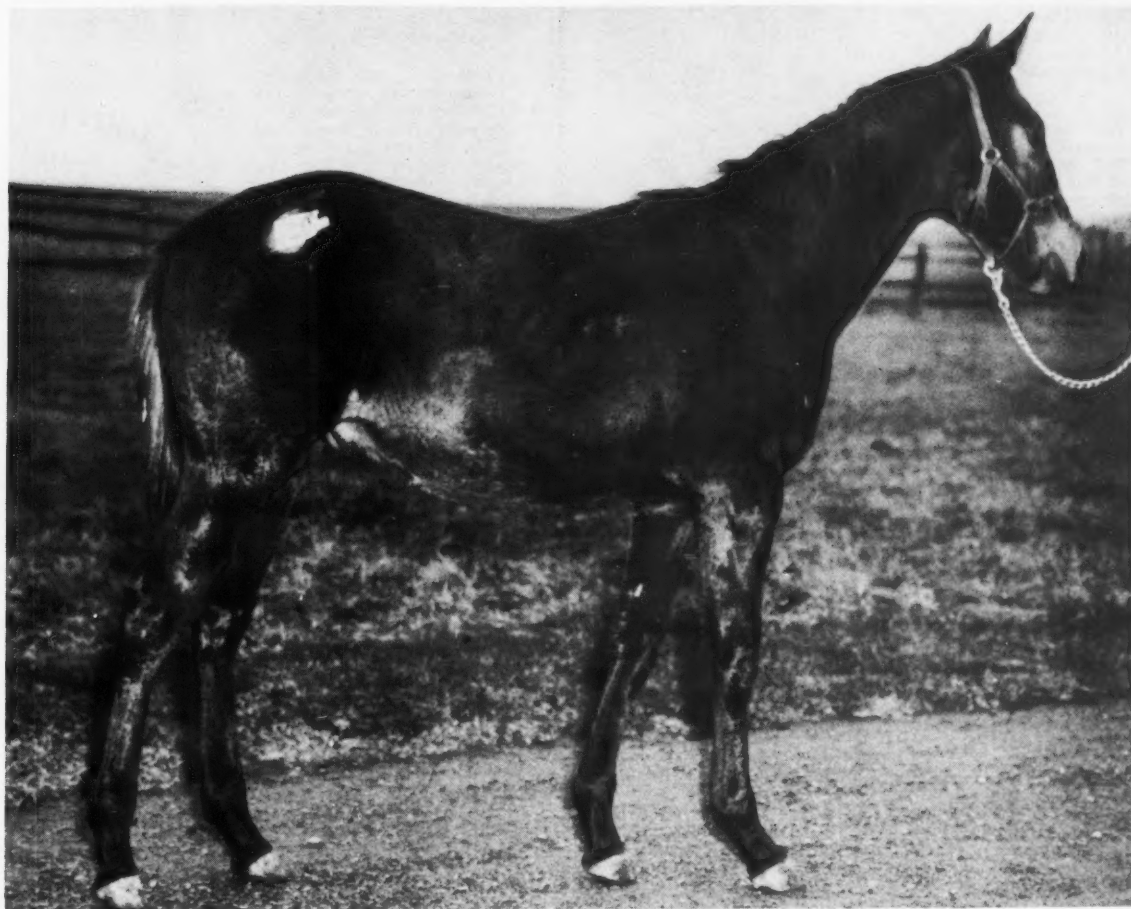
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The dispersal sale of the breeding stock of the late Mrs. W. Plunket Stewart was conducted by Eastig-Tipton on Nov. 23. An unusual feature of the sale was the fact that not a yearling, 2-year-old or broodmare topped the sale---this was done by a weanling. By War Admiral-Ladyofshalott, by *Sir Gallahad III, the bay colt was purchased by Mrs. E. duPont Weir for \$14,000. Darling Photo

Thoroughbreds

**The Party Seems Over For Poor Stock;
As Long As Good Horses Bring Good
Prices, The Goose Hangs High**

Joe H. Palmer

More heartening than a 60,000 crowd at Belmont was the Lexington Fall Sales, which set a numerical record by a considerable margin, and set some sort of record for sanity also. Altogether, during 15 sales sessions, 935 animals went through the ring for a total of \$1,690,625, an average of \$1,808. This by itself is nothing remarkable, for other fall sales have had a higher average. But the amount of cheap stock was fairly incredible, and sometimes I wonder what goes on in the minds of the people who breed it; I suppose they just like animals.

The increase in number was certain to bring the average down, and really the average of the fall sales is a matter of no importance. The summer sales, being fairly constant in the quality of the stock they offer, supply a reliable basis for comparisons, but this isn't true in the fall. This year, as nearly as I could estimate, everyone who had a broodmare or weanling of doubtful antecedents foresaw a falling market in 1949 and went to work to unload. Naturally the average fell.

But every time a horse with reas-

onable credentials came into the ring, you could feel the sales paddock get tense, and the bidding was strong and adequate. On Tuesday morning, for instance, nothing much had been happening until the Elmendorf consignment, of twelve mares, started into the ring. The first one was Astarte, a 3-year-old daughter of *Heliopolis, in foal to Unbreakable. You'd have thought 1946 had come again, and when the firing was over, Coldstream Stud had bought her for \$13,100. The only other one of the Elmendorf mares to make five figures was Ralda, a *Sickle mare in foal to Roman, for which Charles Nelson paid \$10,300, but the average for the twelve was \$7,550.

Later on in the sales Greentree sold Court Manners, a 9-year-old daughter of Equipoise, in foal to Bimelech, for \$23,500, and three lots later sold Pinnacle, a 4-year-old Roman mare, in foal to Third Degree, for \$28,500, both mares going to Ned Brent, of Paris, Ky. Well, Court Manners was a filly of stakes class—she was 3rd in the Arlington Lassie—and Pinnacle had won in the two seasons she raced, and both were in foal

to good stallions. The prices, though high, seemed justifiable.

On the yearling front, the firing really broke out when the Darby Dan horses came on the market. W. M. Wickham went to \$14,100 for a Whirlaway colt out of a granddaughter of Bazaar, and the fight was on. Louis Haggin bought the next offering, a *Pharamond II filly, for \$13,100. A Bull Lea colt out of a sister to Brooklyn and Bloodroot brought \$26,500, going to Leslie Combs II, presumably on behalf of Maine Chance Farm. Then Coldstream went to \$25,000 for a Blue Larkspur filly which is probably the last daughter of that sire ever to grace a yearling auction, and that was the filly high for the sale. War Admiral's son from the winner and producer Darby Damron went to J. A. Kinard, Jr. for \$27,500, and that was the highest price for a colt. Darby Dan tapered off by getting \$20,000 for a Bimelech colt, and \$14,000 for a colt by Chance Play, both of them going to Mrs. Ada L. Rice.

These would have been excellent prices in any sale, summer or fall, and they pointed to the strength of the market unmistakably. There were seven yearlings which went to five figures in the Darby Dan sale, against five in all the rest of the sale. The explanation of this was simple enough. Most of the other consignors of repute either had yearlings in the summer sale or could have had, so that their fall offerings were culls. But Darby Dan—that's John Galbreath, of Columbus, Ohio—had just decided to go to the markets, and it offered top breeding that hadn't been picked over,

But this wasn't what was so encouraging about the sale. It's always good to have big prices, of course, but during the years from 1943 through 1946 the big prices were often indiscriminate. But this year at Lexington poor horses were a giveaway proposition. When just an ordinary weanling came into the ring, there was a rush to get to \$250, and whoever got there first got the weanling, because people wouldn't go higher.

Ever since 1943 things have been a little silly in the Thoroughbred sales, if you don't mind an essay. Bad horses were selling, if not for as much as good horses, then at least for so much that breeders were encouraged to produce indifferent stock, and people who weren't breeders were encouraged to climb on the bandwagon. Now this isn't good, because while there can never be too many good horses, there can very easily be too many horses, and in fact there are now.

Fundamentally it's just as important that the breeding of poor horses be discouraged as it is that top stock should command good prices. The stalls of every race track are jammed, nowadays, and stall space is a real problem. Every indifferent horse that is bred adds to this problem, and it's always well received in this corner when cheap stock draws bad prices.

Well, that's the way it was at the Fall Sales. It was as discriminate a market as I've seen since the boom started, and it served definite notice on breeders that they could expect to make money only on quality horses.

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Just prior to the entrance of the War Admiral colt into the sales ring, his dam, Ladyofshalott, was sold for the top broodmare price of \$10,500. Bought by Rolling Plains Stable, she will remain at the farm. Darling Photo

Mrs. Stewart's Dispersal Brings \$97,150

Breeding and Racing Stock At Rolling Plains Stud Average \$3,000 As 32 Head Are Sold By Fasig-Tipton Company At The Plains, Va.

A large group of horsemen gathered at the late Mrs. Plunket Stewart's Rolling Plains Farm, The Plains, Virginia on Tuesday, November 23 to buy the Thoroughbred stock offered in the complete dispersal of the breeding stock belonging to Mrs. Stewart. Top of the sale was a smart looking weanling colt by War Admiral—Ladyofshalott, by *Sir Gallahad 3rd. J. E. Ryan acting as agent for Mrs. duPont Weir bought this yearling for \$14,000.

Humphrey Finney who with George Swinebroad handled the auction for Fasig-Tipton, started off this youngster by saying, "I am making an opening bid for this one of \$3,000, but I don't think I am going to get him and I am not going to say anything more about him." The next bid was \$5,000 and it continued on upward to \$14,000 which is certainly one of the top prices if not the top price paid for a weanling this year, certainly at a public auction.

The dam of the War Admiral colt, Ladyofshalott by *Sir Gallahad 3rd—Afloat by Man o'War is the dam

of the winners Galamilk, Green Knight, and Spring Dell. She is a magnificent looking bay mare foaled in 1937 and was purchased for \$10,500 by Rolling Plains Stable that will now be carried on by Mrs. Stewart's daughters, Mrs. John Hanum 3rd and Mrs. Joseph Walker, Jr. Other horses bought for Rolling Plains were Dairy Lady by Milkman—Lady Reigh for which \$5,000 was paid, and Skimmer by Milkman—Timely by High Time, a grand looking young mare, sister to Early Delivery that has won 41 races and \$52,322 and another stakes winner, Daily Delivery, as well as the winners Early Morn, Gradea, Parachutist, Rising Light and Up In Time.

At the request of Mr. Stewart, the fine mare Rytina, by Milkman—Sea Cradle by Toro, winner of seven races and \$55,670 was reserved for his step daughters and was not offered for sale. This gives Rolling Plains Farm 4 top broodmares with which to carry on the stud established by Mrs. Stewart where Milkman proved himself one of the more successful.

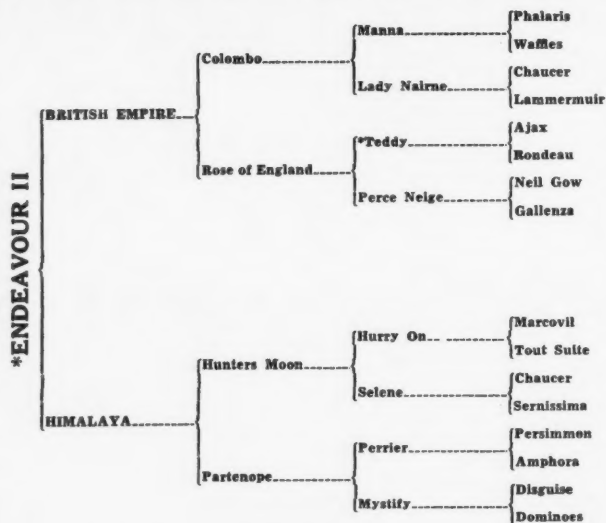
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Gala Moment, dam of the stakes winner Galactic, was sold to C. Wetherill for \$10,000. This made two *Sir Gallahad III mares the highest priced ones of the sale. Darling Photo.

*ENDEAVOUR II

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BREEDING

*ENDEAVOUR II goes back on his dam's side to the same Domino in-breeding which produced High Time, Dominant and Bubbling Over. His grandam, Mystify produced the good classic winners Pert Maid and Paramount while her dam Dominoes, produced Dominant by Delhi, by Ben Brush, Hippodrome, sire of the 2nd dam of Bubbling Over.

SPEED AND STAMINA

After arriving in the U. S. A. from South America, *ENDEAVOUR II was seen galloping around the Belmont track three times daily which is equivalent to 4½ miles. One morning after his long gallop he worked a brisk half mile in :49 3/5. Throughout this work he was out in the middle of the track. He came back the next morning and went ¾ in 1:14 3/5 on a fast track. The following morning (July 10th) *ENDEAVOUR II was on the track again this time going a mile in 1:38 2/5 and pulling up a mile and a quarter in 2:00. After this excellent work his grooms sprayed him with a cold hose to cool him out. His trainer remarked, "He did not work this morning, he only galloped around the track. Tomorrow he will work." Sure enough the next morning *ENDEAVOUR II came on the course to work ¾ in 1:11 1/5. He was not seen on the 12th, but on July 13th he went a half in :50. On the 17th he was sent a mile and a half in 2:34 handily on a muddy track. Then on the 18th of July he stepped ¾ in 1:00 4/5 on a track termed good. All these works were with a heavy boy up who rode bareback and each day before his work he would gallop two or three times around the entire Belmont strip. He finally raced on the 19th of July.

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Review of New England Season

Jerry McCarthy's Egretta Top 2-Year-Old In New England Season As 46-Year-Old Cuban Earns Best Jockey Honors

Tom Shehan

Looking back at the long New England racing season which just ended there are a few impressions which are left that seem worthy of being passed on. For what they are worth, they follow:

Horses most likely to succeed—Of all the horses which campaigned in New England during the 1948 season Fred W. Hooper's Ocean Drive seems most certain to go on to fame. Maybe I am prejudiced in favor of the brown son of Coldstream—Annabell Lee because I have never seen him defeated, but the fact remains that he was most impressive while winning the Mayflower Stakes with 10 lengths to spare. Prior to that race at Suffolk Downs I had seen him win the Hialeah Juvenile Stakes almost as impressively. In addition to those events he also won the Prairie State Stakes in Chicago and the Futurity Trial at Belmont Park. Ocean Drive, who was a \$10,000 purchase by the Montgomery, Ala. contractor, finished the season with 5 victories, 3 seconds and \$84,825 in purse money in 11 starts.

Best 2-year-old filly—Jerry McCarthy's Egretta, winner of 3 stakes races in New England, the Jeanne d'Arc and Nursery at Narragansett Park and the Petsy Ross at Suffolk Downs. Here was a miss definitely smitten with the New England climate. Trainer Melvin Calvert invaded New York and New Jersey with her, but she was at her best Down East.

Biggest surprise of the season—Rockingham park's popularity with the public during its conflict with Narragansett. Everybody expected the Rhode Island track to snow the New Hampshire course under with more than a \$200,000 per diem advantage in daily mutual handle during the conflict, but it didn't work out that way. "Gansett only led 'The Rock' by a mere \$10,000 per day on the average and there were a good many days when Rockingham handled more money than Narragansett.

Biggest disappointment of the season—The withdrawal of Citation, "The Horse Of The Year," from the \$50,000 added Massachusetts Handicap prior to the release of weight assignments for that event by Racing Secretary John P. Turner. This is the first season in a good many that Down East fans didn't get at least one look at the horse voted the top equine of the year.

Most sporting gesture—Narragansett Park's insistence on going through with its stakes, including the \$25,000 added Narragansett Special, during the conflict when it knew that to do so meant a certain loss of money on its programs.

Best jockey—Fernando Fernandez, a 46-year-old Cuban, was the best rider seen in New England. Day in and day out, he is probably the best rider to ever perform Down East. He left Rockingham Park on October 23rd, six weeks before the end of the meeting, for Cuba, but at the end of the meeting he was still the leading rider, having 75 winners to his credit. George Hettinger was the nearest to him with 40 winners.

Most promising young rider—Clarence Picou, the 17-year-old apprentice from Beaumont, Texas who led the riders at two Narragansett Park meetings and two Lincoln Downs meetings, is the best young horsebacker to strut his stuff in New England for a good many years. When he started to ride winners early in the season there were some who scoffed at his ability, but he continued to win. And after he left New England for New York and Maryland he continued to win there. As a rider Picou, who learned his trade on the Quarter horse tracks of his native state, has an excellent seat, a good pair of hands, is a good post boy, is a good judge of pace and can finish well on a horse. What more could be asked of a young rider?

Best field during the season—In spite of the absence of Citation and Stymie, the field for the running of the \$50,000 added Massachusetts Handicap was probably the best which faced the starter during the campaign. In addition to Beauchef, the winner, others in the field included Harmonica, Incline, Loyal Legion, Double Jay, Natchez, Vertigo II, Column, Halbarail, Misleader, Athlete, Bug Juice, and Stage Kid.

Most thrilling riding performance—Jimmy Finnegan's ride on D. A. Rosebaum's Reborn in the \$10,000 added Governor's Handicap at Narragansett Park. Finnegan threaded the eye of a needle to get through on the inside at the head of the stretch. It was the kind of a ride to make your heart stop beating, but otherwise Finnegan wouldn't have won the race. Finnegan got away with it and as a result made the son of Amphitheatre a stakes winner.

935 Yearlings Sold At Lexington

Breeders Sales Company Handles Over Million and Half Worth of Thoroughbred Stock In Largest Auction In History

Frank Butzow

A total of 935 Thoroughbreds, more than half of which were yearlings, went through the ring at the Fall auctions of the Breeders Sales Company at Keeneland last week. They brought a total amount of \$1,690,625, an average of \$1,808. Yearlings averaged \$1,842, other stock \$1,464. Most of the latter, of course, were broodmares and weanlings, although a number of stallions and horses in training were offered.

With 1,046 original consignments, plus a dispersal of the bloodstock holdings of the late Horace N. Davis, it was advertised as the world's largest single auction of Thoroughbreds. It was still that after 111 withdrawals were made for one reason or another. Considering the overall quality and the average grade of the offerings some observers were quick to characterize the sale as the best, relatively speaking, of any held at Keeneland since the Kentucky breeders organized their own sales company after the auctions of 1943. There was a quite general agreement that the terms "good" and "firm" were moderate adjectives with which to describe the market.

Some consignors naturally were disappointed. In some instances it appeared that offerings were bargains at the prices they brought. But it is being generous in stating that many others brought at least every cent they were worth.

Here are some quick, handy, comparative figures on averages at the Keeneland Fall sales of 1947 and 1948:

	1947	1948
Yearlings	\$2,468	\$1,842
All horses	\$2,425	\$1,808

Top priced yearling of the sale was the chestnut colt by War Admiral out of Darby Damron, by *Sir Gallahad III, which sold for \$27,500. This one, consigned by Darby Dan Farm was purchased by J. A. Kinard, Jr., of Arkansas.

Highest of the entire sale, however, was the \$28,500 which Ned W. Brent of Paris, Ky., paid for Greentree's 4-year-old brown mare, Pinnacle (Roman—Boat, by Man o'War). She is in foal to Third Degree.

A few minutes earlier young Brent successfully bid \$23,500 to obtain Greentree's 9-year-old chestnut mare, Court Manners (Equipoise—Damory, by Blandford) in foal to Bimelech.

Horses bringing \$10,000 or more are listed as follows with the name

of the consignor preceding that of the purchaser and, in the case of mares in foal, the horse to which each was bred appears in parenthesis:

YEARLINGS

Ch. c., by War Admiral—Darby Damron, by *Sir Gallahad III, Darby Dan Farm, J. A. Kinard, Jr.	\$27,500
B. c., by Bull Lea—Bum's Rush, by Blue Larkspur, Darby Dan Farm, Leslie Combs II, agent	26,500
B. f., by Blue Larkspur—Chicella, by *Chicle, Darby Dan Farm, Coldstream Stud	25,000
B. c., by Bimelech—*Valdina Spirea, by Canon Law, Darby Dan Farm, Mrs. Ada L. Rice	20,000
B. c., by Whirlaway—Breath of Air, by Black Toney, Darby Dan Farm, W. M. Wickham	14,100
Br. c., by Chance Play—Tattle Tale, by Questionnaire, Warner L. Jones, Mrs. Ada L. Rice	14,000
Br. f., by *Pharaway—Bright Blue, by Burgoon King, Darby Dan Farm, Louis Lee Haggin II	13,100
B. c., by Questionnaire—Pretty Sis, by *Monk's Way, E. D. Axton, M. F. Drinkhouse	12,900
B. c., by Unbreakable—Polypoth, by *Polymellon, Mrs. Roy Carruthers, Morris H. Dixon	10,500
B. c., by Alsab—Algalla, by *Sir Gallahad III, John H. Clark, H. S. Finney, agent	10,100
B. f., by *Bull Dog—Connie's Girl, by *Challenger II, John H. Clark, E. P. Taylor	10,000
B. c., by Johnstown—Dorothea, by Nocturnal, C. H. Ferguson, W. M. Wickham	10,000

MARES

Woof, br. m., 14, by *Bull Dog—Mary V., by High Time (Whirlaway), Emil Denmark, Mereworth Farm	\$10,200
Blandish, gr. m., 9, by *Blenheim II—*Winsome Way, by Tetramata (Count Fleet), Dr. William Caslick, Ada L. Rice	13,500
Astarte, 3, br. m., 3, *Heliopolis—Waygal, by *Sir Gallahad III, Elmendorf, Coldstream Stud	13,100
Ralda, br. m., 9, *Sickle—*Emeralda, by Alcantara II (Roman), Elmendorf, Charles E. Nelson	10,300
Betty Johnson, ch. m., 8, by *Cohort—Bloodroot, by Blue Larkspur (Whirlaway), Darby Dan Farm, Joe W. Brown	16,500
Court Manners, ch. m., 9, by Equipoise—*Damory Court, by Blandford (Bimelech), Greentree, Ned W. Brent	23,500
Pinnacle, b. m., 4, by Roman—Boat, by Man o'War (Third Degree), Greentree, Ned W. Brent	28,500
Happy Land, b. m., 5, by Brevity—Peace, by *Stefan the Great (Questionnaire), Blenheim Farm, Joe W. Brown	16,100
Polly Briar, ch. m., 8, by *Sun Briar—*Polly Egret, by *Polymellon (*Bernborough), Blenheim Farm, Joe W. Brown	10,000

TEN LEADING AMERICAN STAKES WINNERS

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10 LEADING Sires OF STAKES WINNERS

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BULL LEA (Citation 15, Coaltown 5, Bewitch 4, Faultless, In The Pink, Anne's Lee)	27	\$902,965
REQUESTED (My Request 5, Miss Request 3, Prince Quest 2, Compliance 2, Model Cadet)	13	342,335
*MAHMOUD (Macbeth, Marabout, Quarter Pole 3, Speculation, Vulcan's Forge 2, Billings 5, Daily Dip, Mount Marcy, Snow Goose, First Flight)	17	299,325
WAR ADMIRAL (Mr. Busher 2, Blue Peter 6, The Admiral 2)	10	296,060
*HELIOPOLIS (Itsabet 3, Olympia 3, Imacopia 2, King Midas, Camargo, Noble Hero, Ace Admiral 2, Frankly 2, Istan 2)	17	229,157
HASH (Flashco, Salmagundi 2, Mell Hash)	3	204,860
DISCOVERY (Conniver 4, Knockdown 2, Miss Disco 3, Kitchen Police)	10	200,325
MIDSTREAM (*Shannon II 5)	5	180,010
CHALLENGER (Donor 3, Challe Anne 2, Shy Guy 2)	7	171,725
PANTALON (*Talon 2)	2	149,800

10 LEADING Breeders OF STAKES WINNERS

	Races Won
Calumet Farm	30
L. B. Mayer	16
B. F. Whitaker	13
A. G. Vanderbilt	13
C. V. Whitney	10
Elmendorf Farm	10
Idle Hour Stock Farm	9
Coldstream Stud	9
Mrs. J. Hertz	9
W. M. Jeffords	8

10 LEADING Owners OF STAKES WINNERS

	Races Won
Calumet Farm	30
Maine Chance Farm	10
F. W. Hooper	10
B. F. Whitaker	10
W. G. Helis	8
King Ranch	8
E. O. Stice & Sons	8
Brookfield Farm	8
C. Oglebay	7
J. M. Roebing	7

10 LEADING Trainers OF STAKES WINNERS

	Races Won
H. A. Jones	23
W. Molter	20
J. P. Conway	13
J. W. Smith	10
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"...and this is the most important of all. Namely, that in the modern Standard-bred trotter, America has developed the finest and most valuable modern equine type since the advent of the Thoroughbred—and the only one this country has given to the world that is internationally so recognized."

These words of John L. Hervey convey some of the feeling which that great turf writer so evidently felt for the Standard-bred trotter, his first and greatest love. They are taken from a story entitled "The Outlook For Harness Racing" which he wrote for the April 1940 issue of Country Life. In this story, he scanned the trotting sport and pointed out many of its sporting elements and its genuine American origin which so distinguishes it from its counterpart, the running turf. It is, in this reporter's opinion, one of the finest articles ever to flow from that gifted and searching pen.

Some years before the war, this reporter had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Hervey during the final Grand Circuit meeting of the year at Lexington, Ky. At that time, he was surrounded by a group of harness racing enthusiasts who were plying him with questions about a sensational 3-year-old trotter which had won his race in dazzling fashion that afternoon. What did he think about the colt's chances to crack the world's record for 4-year-old trotters next year? Wasn't his dam out of an unfashionable mare? Wouldn't more weight on his toes lengthen his stride and increase his speed? A glance at the face of Mr. Hervey during this discussion told more than a thousand words. He was in his element; he was wrapped up in the discussion; he was happy.

Although many followers of the Thoroughbred are aware of his profound articles dealing with top horses of the running turf, probably few of them realize that Mr. Hervey also wrote, under his own name, for two regular harness racing publications, Hoof Beats, monthly publication of the U. S. Trotting Association, and The Harness Horse, a weekly. The volume of material which he contributed to these two magazines was both amazing and invaluable. He interspersed his articles on current horses with champions of the past. He wrote about the names of horses, the owners of horses, the politics of the harness turf, the trainers and drivers, the caretakers, the stud farms, the foals, the historical background of trotting and pacing, about everything connected with the sport. Moreover, his personal acquaintance with most of the actors in the scenes he described lent an authentic yet friendly touch to these episodes.

It would be difficult to enumerate and name even one quarter of these articles. Some, however, stand out more vividly than others—the ones which he, apparently, favored himself.

Some of these were articles in the annual Christmas issue of The Harness Horse, others appeared in the now defunct Country Life magazine, still others were in Hoof Beats. One, entitled "A Pair of Shoes", in the December 14, 1938 issue of The Harness Horse drew an interesting comparison between two of his favorite performers in different fields. Equipoise, the son of Pennant, holder of the world record for a mile for Thoroughbreds, and Greyhound, by Guy Abbey, holder of the same record on the trotting track. In this comparison, Mr. Hervey advanced a claim of which he, obviously, was very proud. Namely, that he was the only man living or dead, to have witnessed both world records. In addition, he stood directly under the wire and timed both performances in almost the exact time officially announced.

The article then proceeded to describe the appearance of the two champions and to give comparative measurements of both. Mr. Hervey

took Equipoise's measurements "about three days" after the "Chocolate Soldier" ran his record mile. He checked Greyhound's measurements the day after the "Grey Ghost" set his world trotting mark. His remarks anent the two horses formed one of the most interesting commentaries yet read by this reporter on members of the Thoroughbred and Standard-bred tribes. The title of the story, he explained, was suggested by "the sight, standing together upon my mantle, of two shoes worn by these two peerless horses, each of his own breed the supreme exemplar, judged upon performance at the standard unit of racing distance, one mile."

Another superb article by this master turf journalist was "Stamina—Thoroughbred vs. Standard-bred" in the October 1939 number of Country Life. In this, he pointed out the decline of gameness and stamina in the modern Thoroughbred with the comparative rise of such qualities in the Standard-bred. Again I quote from his writings:

"One of the most conspicuous differences between the modern American Thoroughbred and trotter is the superiority of the latter in wearing power and the ability not only to train on and hold his form but to improve from season to season."

Again, Mr. Hervey drew upon Greyhound's qualities as indicating that the trotter, in general, has more durable characteristics and a longer racing career than the Thoroughbred. As a thesis, the entire story is built logically upon facts demonstrated upon the race course. As a story, its incomparable narration has a fascination and lure for all who are followers of the horse.

But of all his writings on the trotter, none surpassed those in which he described the history and background of harness racing. One of these, a contribution to Hoof Beats, was called "The First Harness Racers". In it, he traced the evolution of horse racing to a vehicle from the times of antiquity. The subject was treated in a scholarly and yet most readable style. This article should be reprinted for all horsemen to read regardless of their favorite breed.

Another, dealing with Hambletonian 10, the father of Standard-bred horses, reiterated his justified declaration that Hambletonian 10 was one of the greatest horses ever known to man, a fact which becomes more evident with each passing year.

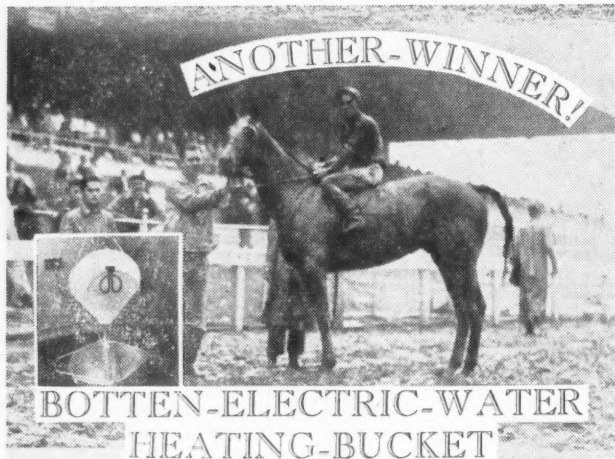
Still another, "Meditation on a Monument", which dealt with his thoughts upon beholding the monument erected over the grave of Hambletonian 10 at Chester, N. Y., contained a remarkable statement which deserves restating here:

"So far as I am aware," said Mr. Hervey in this article, "as a lifelong student of horse history, Hambletonian 10 is the only horse in the world whose birth-spot and whose last resting place are both marked by monuments."

With all of these remarkable articles to his credit, it is rather paradoxical that only one book on trotters was written by Mr. Hervey throughout his turf writing career. This volume, "The American Trotter" was completed shortly before his death and is a necessary requisite of any turf library. He undertook the writing of it at the request of the Trotting Horse Club of America and labored to make it a complete, authoritative history of the Standard breed. That he succeeded is apparent, after reading the book.

Any number of epitaphs might be applied to the final resting place of this remarkably coherent and scholarly writer. But it would seem that one must be inseparably linked with his name. Whenever the subject of equine history and turf writing arises, a quotation of the Greek writer, Thucydides, should surely suffice:

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Comments From The Blue Grass Country

Thanksgiving Finds Many Improvements, New Horses and Creditable Sales With Which To Be Thankful In Kentucky

Ed Weideman

Well, here it is, another Thanksgiving day rolled around and it is the time of the year when people look around and figure out what they have for which to be thankful.

First, as to the political situation, it is doubtful if too many of the horse people in Kentucky are happy about the prospects of higher taxes but they are no doubt thankful for the lower ones which they have enjoyed during the past year. Not that it makes so very much difference after all because most of them would lose just that much more on their stables.

W. T. Bishop, Manager of Keeneland Race Course, is thankful that he has completed the new chute which leads up off of the head of the backstretch. Starting with the spring meet the six furlong affairs can be gotten under way with some three-eighths of straightaway before hitting the turn.

Leslie Combs II can be thankful a couple of times regarding *Alibhai. In the first place it was nice that he could pass among friends and quickly gather together a half million iron men; and that he could take that amount of money and with it obtain title to the Louis M. Mayer stallion. Secondly, it is worth thanks to be able to transport the prize from California to Kentucky without a mishap.

Which was better than the sad case of Djelal, the promising French stallion from the Boussac stables. Djelal, purchased by American interests for a reported half million dollars, committed suicide in a plane while enroute from France to England on the first leg of the trip. That there were some dogs aboard the plane may or may not have had a bearing on the strange action of the horse. Be that as it may, the fact still remains that the horse died and the owners can be thankful that sufficient insurance was carried to cover the loss. Djelal was bound for Claiborne Stud.

Johnnie Clark can be thankful again. He bought a yearling at the summer sale for \$2,600 and sold it

at the fall sale for \$10,200. Nice going, Johnnie.

Warren Wright has plenty of reason for giving the old salaam to Lady Luck. He had his second triple crown winner. This makes his second triple crown and means that Calumet has twenty-five percent of the total such winners, there being only eight in the history of the game. The other renowned speedster from the famous red and white farm, Whirlaway, is still in stud and earning considerable more than his room and board.

There might be an owner or two who are thankful that they don't have to be forever battling against Assault, Stymie, and Armed. Of course, there are others that are proving to be just as much of a nuisance (take Citation, for instance) but at least it's a change in the bill of fare.

The Breeders Sales Company can be thankful (and also be thanked) for having so successfully conducted the largest sale ever attempted. Of course, the Remount Division has been known to do horse-trading on a larger and faster scale but finding a new owner for almost a thousand horses and doing it in six days is no small task.

Horsemen the world over can be thankful for the splendid work done by the Animal Pathology Department of the University of Kentucky, especially for the tireless efforts of Dr. D. W. Bruner. The University, through its work on jaundiced foals, was able to save a total of nine which likely would have died without the benefit of scientific treatment. If any readers are interested in learning more about the studies of the University men on this important phase of breeding it is suggested that they write the University for more information.

Concerning the health of the Thoroughbred we can all be thankful that there was no recurrence of the dreaded swamp fever.

Buck Browning can give thanks for having fourteen foals from fourteen mares, especially in that he

Thoroughbreds

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It is to be doubted if all of the consignors were convinced, for there is a sort of perennial optimism which attends horse breeding, but the indications are that next year's market will be still more severe on inferior stock. The last time this happened, shortly before the war, there was a clamour raised for breeders' awards, but fortunately it died without immediate issue.

I say fortunately, because there isn't any way to offer breeders' award in such a way as to serve the industry. If they're attached only to

has but fourteen mares on the farm. That is a nice percentage to shoot for.

The Kentucky breeder can be grateful for the new sires that have come into the bluegrass during the past year. Many of these new sires have a much lower stud fee than the more established Bull Lea's and the *Mahmoud's. And this is important to the small breeder who hopes to market at a profit, especially with the prices slipping a little more with each sale.

Of course, it must be appreciated that what is one man's loss can be another man's gain. When one horse wins it can only be at the expense of the losers. Thus, what brings joy and ecstasy to some can only result in consternation for others. But that's to be expected in anything and moreso in the horse business. If time and space permitted it would be easy to list several more important happenings for which someone is grateful. But in almost every instance someone could point out a person who was adversely affected; but that person would, in turn, be able to find something else that was good, something that he could use as an offset.

We can therefore be quite safe in saying that most everyone in the horse business, especially in Kentucky, has something for which to be thankful. A few made money, a few broke even, the rest lost but everyone had a good time or, if he didn't, it was his own fault.

stakes races, which is justifiable on some grounds, they go primarily to the big and successful breeders, who need neither the money—though they're glad to get it—nor any extra encouragement to produce the best stock they can. If they're attached to all races, as they were in New York for a season, it amounts to offering a subsidy for overproduction.

Anyway, selection seemed to be doing the job at Lexington, and for poor stock the party seems to be over. That's as it should be. As long as good horses bring good prices the goose hangs high.

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Montpelier Closes Hunt Meeting Season

Tourist List Loses His First Noel Laing Feature To Adaptable As Caidstone Captures Montpelier Cup From Field of 11

If mud packs get the results "as advertised," then the first hunt meeting next Spring should have tops in appearance among the humans and equines which made up the 19 starters in the two flat races at the Montpelier Hunt Race Meeting. Held November 20 at Mrs. Marion duPont Scott's Montpelier, Montpelier Station, Va., the flat track was sloppy and the turf heavy but there is scarcely a meeting this year which could rival this one for entries and attendance.

The smallest number of entries went to the post in the feature on the card, the Noel Laing 'Chase' Cap, about 2 1-2 miles over brush. Interest centered on the winner of the Mary Mellon 'Chase' Cap the previous Saturday at Middleburg, Mrs. S. C. Clark, Jr.'s Trough Hill, and Miss Ella Widener's Adaptable which had finished 2nd to Trough Hill. Then too, there was Lowry Watkins' Tourist List which had won the Noel Laing 'Chase' in 1946 and 1947 and in 1945 as a 4-year-old, the bay gelding had won the secondary feature of the card, the Montpelier Cup, thus making a clean sweep in his outings at Montpelier. Mrs. J. B. Ryan's 'Cloonshee, winner of 2 races this season and F. Ambrose Clark's Scuttleman, winner of his last 2 outings and a hurdle race at Camden last March, made up the rest of the field.

Starter Harry Plumb lined up the 5 horses in front of the brush jump behind the flat track and oddly enough, Jockey P. Smithwick broke Adaptable on top but as his wont is to stay off the early pace, he was quickly rated and went to the rear as they galloped outside the flat track and turned left toward the 1st jump. 'Cloonshee had a slight lead over this jump with Trough Hill and Tourist List right behind him. Across the lane, Tourist List went to the top with 'Cloonshee 2nd and Scuttleman moving into 3rd place. The 3rd jump was down in the hollow, out of sight, and then the course was uphill, slightly left-handed and over the 4th where Jockey F. Hutchinson still had Tourist List setting the pace but Scuttleman was well up with 'Cloonshee still 3rd, Trough Hill 4th and Adaptable 5th.

The 5th jump is just down the slight incline and then the field went by the end of the flat track, to the left and over the 6th which was the jump they had backed up to when starting. Over the 6th, Jockey E. A. Russell and 'Cloonshee led by about a neck while Scuttleman was just about the same distance ahead of Tourist List.

The French jockey, A. Foote, shook up Scuttleman as they galloped toward the 7th and over this jump, the Clark color-bearer was leading by half a length as Tourist List moved into 2nd, Trough Hill 3rd, Adaptable 4th and 'Cloonshee 5th. He was leading over the 8th but here Adaptable and Jockey Smithwick began to move. Out of sight down the hill and to the 9th, Adaptable gained ground but at the 9th, Scuttleman slipped, fell and was out of the race.

Up hill and to the 10th and last, as the field landed, Adaptable had a length's advantage over Trough Hill and he increased his lead another half length as they drove across the finish line. Tourist List was 3rd, losing his 1st race at Montpelier. 'Cloonshee was a tired 4th.

Getting into the wrong "seeing" spot during a race at Montpelier isn't the thing to do but that is just about what happened for the first race, the Meadow Woods over hurdles. However, as the 7 horses got away, Rokeby Stables' Hekista was in front. As the field went over the 2nd hurdle, owner-breeder Allan M. Hirsh's Swiggle and Jockey M. Ferrall were setting the pace and held the 6 horses safe to the wire, having a 4-length advantage at the finish. Mrs. R. P. Kirkpatrick's New Rule was 2nd over the 2nd hurdle but by the 4th, F. Ambrose Clark's Shooters Hill and Jockey A. Foote

were in that position which they held to the finish. Swiggle, trained by W. B. Cocks, brought his trainer up to within one race of tying with Trainer S. Watters, Jr. for this season's hunt meetings.

Some brave souls ventured across to the infield to watch the Virginia Plate, about 1 mile on the flat while the timid remained where they were. As the 11 horses were brought onto the track, it appeared to be worth any of the jockey's time to get to the top and stay there if possible. No doubt Jockey J. Rich had this in mind as he sent Mrs. A. M. Scaife's 'Kospal off quickly but right behind him was owner-trainer-rider Mr. G. H. Bostwick on Stunts, the 3-year-old which had won 2 straight on the flat. Stunts was ridden right to the top and the mud began to fly for Jockey Rich as Mrs. Fay Ingalls' Babadora moved in behind Stunts. Mr. Bostwick continued to gain ground and at the 3-4 mark, Mrs. E. Cooper Person's \$35,000 yearling purchase, now a 4-year-old, The Viceroy, made his bid but could not close the gap. The grey was unraced until his initial outing at Middleburg the previous Saturday. Stunts came down the stretch, moving easily while 'Kospal had improved his position to finish 2nd ahead of Babadora.

The 3rd event was the Noel Laing 'Chase and just after leaving the paddock as the horses paraded, one must admit to having found a "certain secret military base" from which one can view the entire course, with the exception of the brush jump and hurdle in the hollow. This vantage point was again used after the Noel Laing 'Chase when the Montpelier Cup, about 2 miles over brush, was run. Incidentally, the field of 11 which went postward was the largest field over brush in the 1948 hunt meeting season among the recognized hunt meetings. The only comparison was the field of 11 which faced the starter in the Iroquois Memorial 'Chase last May.

The starting point for this race was in front of the 1st jump of the longer brush race and as they were off, Jockey J. Rich had Auburn Farm's Bridespur heading Allison Stern's Tourist Index. At the 1st jump, only a short distance away, Jockey T. Field and Allan M. Hirsh's Ratcatcher were followed by Mrs. Sara E. Merryman's Makorbreak. Then came that jump down in the hollow but over the 3rd, it was still Ratcatcher leading by 2 lengths and jumping easily, Makorbreak and Jockey J. Adams on Tourist Index. Ratcatcher continued to set the pace but over the 5th, Tourist Index had moved into 2nd position. They raced in this order over the 6th and here E. A. Russell pulled up Henry Lewis III's Puglist.

Staying well off the early pace was Alvin Untermyer's Caidstone, winner over brush at Middleburg. As the field disappeared, Jockey A. Foote was moving the 4-year-old gelding toward the leaders and when they came into view, headed for the last jump, Caidstone had about half a length's advantage over Tourist Index. Landing over the last, Caidstone really opened up and came tincanning down the hill, around the turn and into the stretch, galloping to the finish 6 lengths ahead of Tourist Index with Mrs. Johnston Hyde's Pretender in for 3rd. This gave Trainer Cocks his 2nd winner of the day and tied him with Trainer Watters.

Another hurdle race was next, the Madison Plate, about 2 miles and this brought out 7 starters. In his usual manner, R. K. Mellon's Dillsburg took over the pace and it looked as though he had regained his Spring winning form as he landed over the 2nd hurdle ahead of J. R. Dwyer's Lively Man. Jockey McAdams was not opening up too much of a lead but the Mellon color-bearer was well on his way to giving Trainer Watters one more race which would break the Watters-Cocks tie. Over the 4th, Montpelier's Hampton

Roads became a threat as the Annapolis gelding had moved from 5th to 2nd and was jumping well.

Hampton Roads shortened Dillsburg's lead to half a length over the 5th but Mr. Bostwick was out for two winning rides for the afternoon and he had moved up Allison Stern's 'Qui Va La and was making his bid. Over the last two hurdles, the race settled down between 'Qui Va La and Hampton Roads with the former having a slight advantage. As the pair came around the turn to the stretch, Hampton Roads was on the inside but 'Qui Va La wasn't losing any ground. Under the wire it was 'Qui Va La, Hampton Roads and Shamrock Stable's Lion Rampant, winner over hurdles at Middleburg.

Having kept the mud off his light blue colors in the first flat race, Mr. Bostwick rode his Tilleul in the Bellevue Plate, about 1 3-4 miles and broke on top, clear of the other 7 starters and with no traces of the mud. At the half-mile he was still setting the pace with Alvin Untermyer's 'McGinty Moore making a bid to give Trainer Cocks that one extra race to break the tie. But coming up strongly was the horse which broke the announcer down completely when he tried to give the starters' names, Prince Dimitri Djordjadze's 'Le Buis Fleuri and Jockey A. Foote. Taking over the lead from Tilleul, 'Le Buis Fleuri made a strong bid and held the field safe until the stretch when C. M. Kline's Sociability, with R. Belanger up, responded to urging and as they splashed down the stretch, it was Sociability, Montpelier's Navy Gun and 'McGinty Moore with 'Le Buis Fleuri dropping back to 4th position. Sociability came on to win to give Trainer M. H. Dixon his 2nd winner and 'McGinty Moore drove in for 2nd ahead of Navy Gun.

A most successful hunt meeting season had come to a close and if this past year was any indication, the brush, timber, hurdle and flat ranks will be filled when the bugle sounds at Camden, S. C. in March.

SUMMARIES

The Meadow Woods, abt. 1 1/4 mi., hurdles, 3 & up. Purse, \$700. Net value to winner, \$480; 2nd: \$125; 3rd: \$60; 4th: \$35. Winner: b. g. (4), by Sunador-Mollie Wrack, by 'Wrack Trainer: W. B. Cocks. Breeder: A. M. Hirsh. Time: 3:45 4-5.

- Swiggle, (A. M. Hirsh), 133.
- Shooters Hill, (F. Ambrose Clark), 134.
- A. Foote, (11-13-48, Mid., flat, 2nd).
- Joaljoy, (S. R. Fry), 144.
- E. A. Russell, (10-30-48, F. H., hurdles, 10th).
- Ropley, (R. K. Mellon), 134.
- J. McAdams, (10-30-48, F. H., hurdles, 6th).
- Hekista, (Rokeby Stables), 135.
- T. Field, (11-13-48, Mid., hurdles, 8th).
- New Rule, (Mrs. R. P. Kirkpatrick), 139.
- B. Ansteadt, (11-11-48, Pim., flat, 8th).
- Vallant, (C. M. Kline), 153.
- P. Smithwick, (11-13-48, Mid., hurdles, 5th).

Swiggle assumed lead after 2nd and came on to win easily. Shooters Hill made a strong bid but could not close gap. Joaljoy improved position. Ropley showed an even effort. Hekista was never a factor. New Rule up early. Vallant was never a factor. Scratched: Acoustics, Mahout, Premier, Dillsburg, Gunboats, No Call, Firebet, Half Hour.

The Virginia Plate, 1 mi., flat, 3 & up. Purse, \$600. Net value to winner, \$425; 2nd: \$100; 3rd: \$50; 4th: \$25. Winner: ch. g. (3), by 'Hypnotist II—Miss Merriment, by High Time. Trainer: Owner. Breeder: Greentree Stud, Inc. Time: 1:45 3-5.

- Stunts, (G. H. Bostwick), 152.
- Mr. G. H. Bostwick, (11-13-48, Mid., flat, 1st).
- 'Kospal, (Mrs. A. M. Scaife), 146.
- J. Rich, (11-13-48, Mid., flat, 5th).
- Babadora, (Mrs. Fay Ingalls), 148.
- M. W. Sims, (10-30-48, F. H., flat, 2nd).
- Stiegel Glass, (Montpelier), 151.
- A. Foote, (10-30-48, F. H., flat, 2nd).
- Tourelay, (W. Wickes, Jr.), 162.
- J. Zimmerman, (11-13-48, Mid., flat, 5th).
- The Viceroy, (Mrs. E. C. Person), 135.
- K. Field, (11-13-48, Mid., flat, 10th).
- Acoustics, (Mrs. Bayard Sharp), 137.
- W. Gallaher, (9-23-48, Bel., hurdles, disqualified).
- Sunday Puzzle, (Marvin Walker), 147.
- B. Ansteadt, (10-6-44, Bel., hurdles, 2nd).
- Bimary, (E. C. Cunningham), 138.
- O. Pollin, (4-3-48, D. R., flat, ran out).
- Psychic Polly, (J. T. Sisk), 138.
- A. Clatterbuck, (9-23-48, Blr., flat, 5th).
- Ler-Lin, (E. C. Cunningham), 147.
- O. A. Brown, (8-14-48, Hag., flat, 5th).

Stunts went to top immediately after start and was never headed. 'Kospal closed ground in final stages. Babadora up on pace for 1/2 mile and dropped back. Stiegel Glass improved position in stretch. Tourelay was never a factor. The Viceroy showed early speed. Acoustics, Sunday Puzzle, Bimary, Psychic Polly and Ler-Lin were never factors. Scratched: Navy Gun, Tilleul, Hampton Roads, Premier, Scuttleman, 'Loch Halo.

The Noel Laing 'Chase Cap, abt. 2 1/2 mi., brush, 4 & up. Purse, \$3,000 added. Net value to winner, \$2,195; 2nd: \$600; 3rd: \$300; 4th: \$150. Winner: b. g. (7), by 'Blenheim II—Black Queen, by Pompey. Trainer: M. H. Dixon. Breeder: Elmendorf Farm, Inc. Time: 4:05 3-4.

- Adaptable, (Miss E. A. Widener), 153.
- P. Smithwick, (11-13-48, Mid., brush, 2nd).
- Trough Hill, (Mrs. S. C. Clark, Jr.), 156.
- T. Field, (11-13-48, Mid., brush, 1st).
- Tourist List, (Lowry Watkins), 153.
- F. Hutchinson, (11-3-48, Pim., brush, 3rd).

'Cloonshee, (Mrs. J. B. Ryan), 134.
- E. A. Russell, (11-10-48, Pim., brush, 7th).
- Scuttleman, (F. Ambrose Clark), 133.
- A. Foote, (11-4-48, Pim., brush, 1st).
- Adaptable rated well off pace until after 8th, closed ground and won driving. Trough Hill closed ground in final stages but could not catch leader. Tourist List early leader but dropped back. 'Cloonshee tired. Scuttleman slipped and fell over 9th. Scratched: Sergt. Peach, Hampton Roads, Tourist Index.

The Montpelier Cup, abt. 2 mi., brush, 3 & up. Purse, \$1,200. Net value to winner, \$350; 2nd: \$200; 3rd: \$100; 4th: \$50. Winner: b. g. (4), by 'Caid—Maldstone, by Sebago. Trainer: W. B. Cocks. Breeder: E. W. Householder. Time: 4:20.

- Caidstone, (Alvin Untermyer), 135.
- A. Foote, (11-13-48, Mid., brush, 1st).
- Tourist Index, (Allison Stern), 141.
- J. McAdams, (11-13-48, Mid., brush, 3rd).
- Pretender, (Mrs. J. Hyde), 140.
- O. A. Brown, (11-12-48, Pim., brush, 3rd).
- Ratcatcher, (A. M. Hirsh), 135.
- T. Field, (11-13-48, Mid., brush, 4th).
- Half Hour, (C. M. Kline), 153.
- P. Smithwick, (11-13-48, Mid., brush, 2nd).
- Gunboats, (G. H. Bostwick), 134.
- J. Smiley, (11-13-48, Mid., brush, 3rd).
- Le Tigre, (Mrs. R. P. Kirkpatrick), 137.
- M. Ferrall, (11-12-48, Pim., brush, fell).
- Bridespur, (Auburn Farm), 140.
- J. Rich, (11-13-48, Pim., brush, 6th).
- Diablio, (Del Casino), 130.
- K. Field, (11-13-48, Mid., brush, 6th).
- Makorbreak, (Mrs. S. E. Merryman), 142.
- B. Ansteadt, (11-12-48, Pim., brush, 4th).
- Puglist, (Henry Lewis III), 137.
- E. A. Russell, (11-10-48, Mtp., flat, 3rd).

Caidstone rated well off early pace, came on in later stages to win going away. Tourist Index always well up. Pretender improved position in stretch. Ratcatcher pace setter but could not withstand challenge. Half Hour showed an even effort. Gunboats, Le Tigre, Diablio, Makorbreak were never threats. Puglist pulled up after 6th. Scratched: Repose, Vallant, Blue Heron.

The Madison Plate, abt. 2 mi., hurdles, 3 & up. Purse, \$1,200. Net value to winner, \$850; 2nd: \$200; 3rd: \$100; 4th: \$50. Winner: br. h. (5), by Umidwar—Fille de Salut, by Sansovino. Trainer: J. V. H. Davis. Breeder: H. H. Aga Khan (Eng.). Time: 4:05 4-5.

- 'Qui Va La, (Allison Stern), 145.
- Mr. G. H. Bostwick, (11-13-48, Mid., hurdles, 2nd).
- Hampton Roads, (Montpelier), 149.
- F. Hutchinson, (11-1-48, Pim., flat, 7th).
- Lion Rampant, (Shamrock Stable), 137.
- T. Field, (11-13-48, Mid., hurdles, 1st).
- Dillsburg, (R. K. Mellon), 134.
- J. McAdams, (11-13-48, Mid., hurdles, 6th).
- Repose, (F. Ambrose Clark), 135.
- A. Foote, (11-13-48, Mid., hurdles, 3rd).
- Lively Man, (J. R. Dwyer), 157.
- J. Rich, (11-12-48, Pim., brush, 1st).
- Avah's Boy, (John Bosley, Jr.), 142.
- B. Ansteadt, (11-12-48, Pim., flat, 3rd).
- 'Qui Va La began to make move at 5th and came on to win. Hampton Roads stayed well up on pace and was driving at finish. Lion Rampant gained ground in final stages. Dillsburg set pace until overtaken by 'Qui Va La. Repose was never a factor. Lively Man broke on top but could not stay on pace. Avah's Boy up early. Scratched: Firebet, Vallant, Deep Six, Half Hour, New Rule, Premier.

- The Bellevue Plate, abt. 1 1/4 mi., flat, 3 & up. Purse, \$700. Net value to winner, \$480; 2nd: \$125; 3rd: \$60; 4th: \$35. Winner: ch. g. (3), by King Cole—Notas Sociales, by Blue Larkspur. Trainer: M. H. Dixon. Breeder: R. J. Funkhouser. Time: 3:16.
- Sociability, (C. M. Kline), 135.
- R. Belanger, (11-13-48, Mid., flat, 4th).
- 'McGinty Moore, (Alvin Untermyer), 137.
- M. W. Sims, (10-30-48, F. H., hurdles, 2nd).
- Navy Gun, (Montpelier), 141.
- R. S. McDonald, (9-11-48, Fal., flat, 1st).
- 'Le Buis Fleuri, (Dimitri Djordjadze), 160.
- A. Foote, (11-6-48, Pim., flat, 9th).
- Tilleul, (G. H. Bostwick), 140.
- Mr. G. H. Bostwick, (11-13-48, Mid., flat, 3rd).
- Deep Six, (W. Wickes, Jr.), 157.
- J. Zimmerman, (11-13-48, Mid., flat, 7th).
- Busy Moments, (Mrs. E. S. Horton), 143.
- B. Ansteadt, (11-12-48, Pim., brush, 5th).
- Catanic, (Mrs. A. M. Scaife), 155.
- Mr. G. Stephens, (10-16-48, Mtp., flat, 5th).

Sociability made bid in stretch and won driving. 'McGinty Moore gained ground in final stages. Navy Gun showed an even effort. 'Le Buis Fleuri pace setter for 1 1/2 miles but tired. Tilleul up early. Deep Six, Busy Moments, Catanic never factors. Scratched: Lion Rampant, Stiegel Glass, Hampton Roads, Stunts, Pretender, 'Loch Halo, Ropley.

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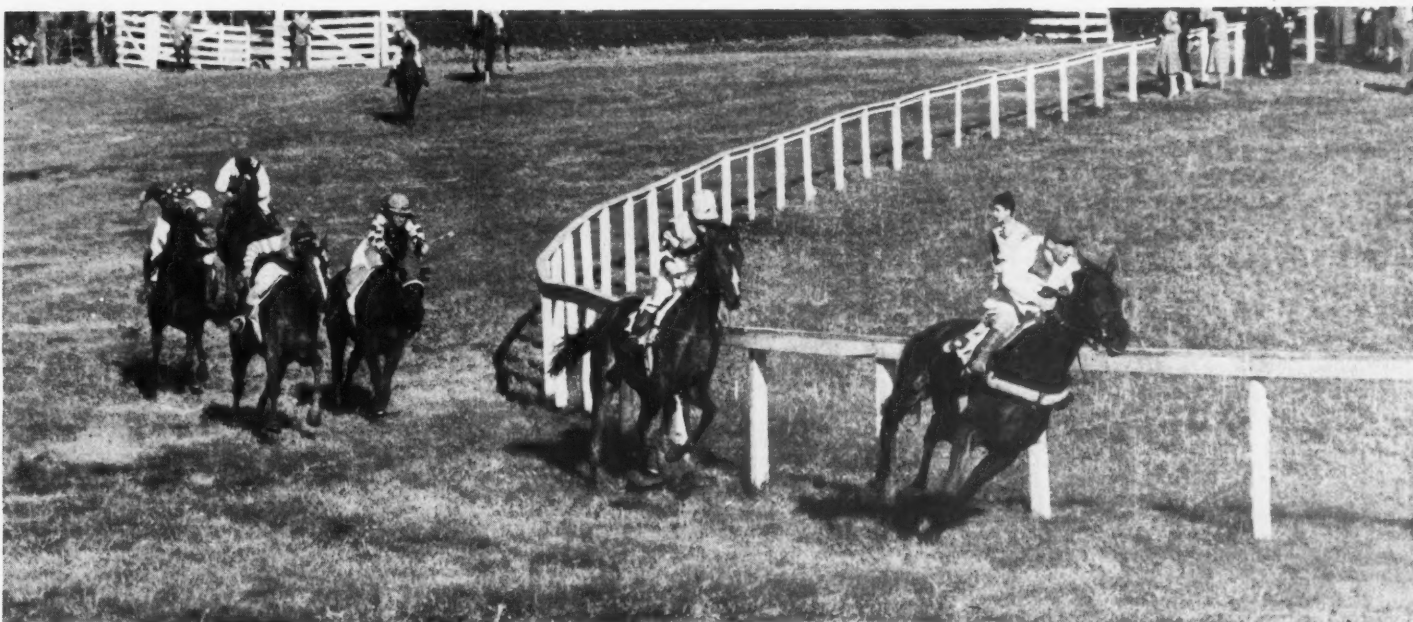
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Trainer M. H. Dixon saddled his last winner of The Noel Laing 'Chase 'Cap in 1943 when Miss Ella A. Widener's Iron Shot won. Another Widener color-bearer, Adaptable, with P. Smithwick up, won the 1948 running on Nov. 20. Mrs. S. C. Clark, Jr.'s Trough Hill, which defeated Adaptable the previous week at the Middleburg meeting, was 2nd. (Hawkins Photo). W. Laing made the presentation to Adaptable's trainer and rider. Morgan Photo



The largest field of brush horses at a meeting sanctioned by the National Steeplechase & Hunt Assn. went postward in The Montpelier Cup. Eleven horses faced Starter Harry Flumb and 10 finished, one having pulled up after the 6th jump. The French rider, A. Foote, made it two straight on Alvin Untermyer's Caidstone as he pulled away in the stretch to win ahead of Allison Stern's Tourist Index. Hawkins Photo



Mr. G. H. Bostwick rode his 2nd winner at Montpelier when he was up on Allison Stern's *Qui Va La, #7, in The Madison Plate. A close 2nd was Montpelier's Hampton Roads, on inside above. Darling Photo



Allan M. Hirsh's home-bred Swiggle, #14, and M. Ferrall romped home in the first hurdle race, The Meadow Woods. In for 2nd was F. Ambrose Clark's Shooters Hill. Darling Photo



Owner-rider Lou Nelson on his Jay Bee at the Elkridge-Harford Hunt Hunter Trials. Jay Bee was a member of the winning hunt team with D. G. McIntosh's Moon Man and E. S. Voss' Thimble Rigger. Bagley Photo



Retired from timber races after his three-time victory in The Maryland Hunt Cup, Winton and his owner Stuart Janney haven't left the hunter trials rank and captured the Elkridge-Harford championship. Bagley Photo



Mrs. Lester Perrine and her Coeglen won the Essex Fox Hounds Hunter Trials for the 3rd consecutive year. John S. Pierrepont, hon. Secy. presented the Monk Jones Memorial Trophy to Mrs. Perrine. Klein Photo



W. Benedict Johnson, Joint-Master of Essex Fox Hounds, rode his Aldare to annex the red ribbon in the hunter trials. Only one class was held but there were over 30 entries. Carl Klein Photo



The Alfred Berol Challenge Trophy for the winner of the first flight class at the Rombout Hunt Hunter Trials was won by owner-rider Mrs. John Melville on Victoria M. Carl Klein Photo



Champion of the Rombout Hunt Hunter Trials was Mrs. Charles Govern's San Tropez. Ridden by George Petty, the gelding was awarded the tri-color at the trials on Oct. 30. Carl Klein Photo

Dry Conditions Fail To Mar Sport With Fox River Valley

Those who still believe that English hounds have no noses, and run mute should follow the Fox River Valley's home-bred English pack, and learn what they can do under both the worst and the best of hunting conditions. It is impossible to imagine scenting conditions much worse than they were in September and October. The ground was as dry as powder even at daybreak; there was absolutely no dew at all. It was more difficult than mountain lion hunting in the mountains of Arizona. But in spite of almost impossible conditions hounds worked up to their foxes, and killed. The sort of hound work that I mean was shown on October 9, when the meet was at Hail Weston, the farm of the late E. A. Throckmorton, former Joint-M. F. H. That day hounds found in a small spinney, and ran their fox into a 40 acre field of standing corn. There they ran him back and forth for half an hour before they finally rolled him over. The ground between the rows of corn was pure dust; there was not a blade of grass to hold the scent. Those hounds showed nose and drive; it was dull for those in the field who came out for a gallop, but it was an education to the hound minded.

The Field had their turn when the weather changed. In November the long awaited rain came, and scenting conditions became practically perfect. Finding foxes was no trick at all, and hounds really hustled them along. November 13 is a good illustration. I was absent, but the story is like those you read about: the pack was running in full cry, every hound making the loudest music, and those few members of the Field who were able to stay said that the whole pack could have been covered by a blanket. Charlie went to ground in a cemetery, and that naturally ended things.

Saturday, November 20, brought the frustration that makes foxhunting so tantalizing. Hounds drew the Seipp woods, and as everybody expected, there was a tremendous burst of music as they found their fox. That was all, however, for within the first hundred yards they ran square into a wire fence with small enough mesh to serve very effectively as a filter, letting the fox through and stopping the hounds. There was no panel through that fence at all; it was a definite boundary to our country. So we left that one and tried for another. Near the Horne farm Tony Bateman viewed a big red dog fox, but it was on the wrong side of another impenetrable wire fence, and we passed it up as futile.

After that we drew the weeds in the valley of Spring Creek, working up wind to the south. We picked up a fox and ran him for about half a mile, but the wind was so high and the valley bottom so open it was uncertain. A few men with shotguns were working the same area, and so we were hardly surprised when scent failed. But this time the wind had chilled the enthusiasm of the Field who began to think of the delicious hunt breakfast awaiting them at the Dallstreams', and so the huntsman and the Masters found themselves deserted. One more futile draw was made on Big Oaks Farm, usually a sure thing, but the foxes had the same feeling about the weather as the Field, and we were forced to call it a day.—D. B. H.

Goldens Bridge Hounds

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Haight, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. L. Ryan and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Grant Straus. There was dancing and John Peel and all the old hunting songs were enormously enjoyed by all. Random notes gleaned by the log fire included the impending trip for Hugh Grant Straus and Gordon Wright to Pennsylvania and Middleburg hunts and the fact that, in the "cub set" 3 1-2-year-old Meredith Parish, daughter of the Richard L. Parish, juniors, already has seven blue ribbons in her collection.

Monday, November 1

Met at "Glendhu Farm" at 10 A. M. with only a small field turning out as the majority were awaiting the next day (Election Day); but they missed an excellent run. We found a big Red in first cover in a locust grove back of Mr. McCruden's house and ran fast over show grounds then the full length of von Gal swamp which is at least 1 1-2 miles in length. We had a nice gallop over Carlo Paterno's nice big wide jumps. Fox doubled back to very near Baxter Road where it was turned by some riders who were sticking to the bridle paths and we were quite a while getting them on the line again. The fox doubled back over the Howe farm and over Lobdell's land crossing concrete road and took refuge under the roots of a fallen down oak tree. Hounds could get very close to Reynard but not close enough to pull him out so he lives to run another day. Mrs. Sidney Gilbert, Mrs. Parish and Lewis Smith enjoyed a magnificent view of the fox for several minutes until he dropped in. We found another fox on Ryder's farm and after 2 circles around Bloomsdale golf course crossed road and we finally lost or wore out the line in dry leaves on Rock Ridge Farm. A very fair day, not one of the best. Scent good in open, poor in woods.

Tuesday, November 2

The meet was at The Master's home, "Rock Ridge Farm." We drew south towards Salem Center and found in Battery Farm wood. Hounds ran fast over Windswept Farm, on over Wallace and Meldrum land and north over Cowles' and Lobdell's farms until we reached Hardscrabble where motorists turned our pilot and he swung left back over Meldrum's property and hounds marked their fox in rocky ledge on Mr. Cowles' farm. We picked up our 2nd fox on Stuart Bates' farm and ran on through Red Shield Farm and pulled our first big Red down in Mr. Wayne Huson's swamp. We found next in Mr. Ryder's meadow near Peach Lake and ran over through Star Ridge and crossing Star Ridge Road hounds marked in an old stone foundation on Mr. Theodore Miller's farm. Our 4th fox gave us a nice gallop after finding on a rocky ledge near Vail's golf course, ran north to Dongle Ridge Road then swung left over Bates and Dongle Ridge Farm. Very dry and dusty in cultivated field and on roadways. We marked in near old barn on Farmer Ben Nichols' place. A really good morning. The meet was at 10 o'clock and hounds came in at 2:30 P. M. This was the 33rd hunt for the staff as hounds have been going out since August 14. R. L. Parish, the Master, and Mrs. Parish have been out regularly.

Fred Stone, Mrs. D. M. McKeon and Mrs. B. Funk were "blooded" at the kill. The mask was presented by the Master to Mrs. Robert A. Chambers. The brush was demolished.

Mrs. Stewart's Dispersal

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cessful sires in the country and along with Pilate became one of the leading sires to stand in Virginia producing such stakes winners as Pasteurized, Early Delivery Buttermilk, Quizzle, Rytina, Brandy Punch, Raylwyn, Daily Delivery, Galactic and Mrs. Rabbit.

Another top price paid for a broodmare by a young breeder, Cortwright Wetherill was the \$10,000 offered for the good mare Gala Moment by *Sir Gallahad 3rd—*Breathing Spell by Dark Ronald. Kentucky was represented among the breeders and owners by Charles Kenney of Coldstream Stud. Mr. Kenney bought the good broodmare Cottage Cheese for Dale Shaffer and also purchased Good Odds by Liberty Limited—Mazetta for Edward Janss of California.

A total of 33 head were sold under the management of Fasig Tipton including weanlings, 2-years-olds, and broodmares to bring a total of \$97,150 and average \$3,000.

SUMMARIES

2-year-olds	
Light Umber, by *Barred Umber—Black Lantern; Mrs. J. D. Coleman	2,100
No More, by Milkman—Timely; E. B. Lee	1,800
Reine du Lait, by Milkman—Gay Queen; Mrs. Joseph Walker	800
Yearlings	
Bay gelding, by Milkman—Beatrice; John Royston	\$ 1,500
Bay filly by St. Brideaux—Black Lantern; L. H. Nelles	1,800
Chestnut filly by Milkman—Fragment; Mrs. L. H. Nelles	900
Weanlings	
Bay colt by Milkman—Beatrice; Oliver Filley	400
Bay filly by *Challenger II—Chessel; Kentmere Farm	4,000
Bay filly by *Piping Rock—Dairy Lady; Mrs. duPont Scott	3,200
Bay colt by Milkman—Gala Moment; Morris Dixon	3,500
Bay colt by Milkman—Good Odds; L. S. McPhail	2,200
Bay colt by War Admiral—Ladyof-shalott; Mrs. E. duPont Weir	14,000
Bay filly by Star Beacon—Fragment; Mrs. Leslie West	350
Bay colt by Contradiction—Ualume; Walter Wickes, Jr.	2,200
Brown filly by Contradiction—Wound Up; P. Godfrey	400
Broodmares	
Carence, dk. br. mare, 1936, by *Pharmond 2nd—Careful; Mrs. Raymond Whitney	600

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Rain beating down on the roof couldn't begin to drown out the cheering audience at the McCleave Clearbrook Junior Horse Show October 30 and 31 at Seattle, Wash. Ninety children, 18 and under, contested in jumping, gaited, horsemanship and gymkhana events. Sizable audiences were present for both performances despite the stormy weather and enthusiasm was rampant.

As the McCleave Stables specialize in jumping, the jumping classes included many of the Northwest's finest jumpers and young riders. The class which they are still talking about is the bare back jumping class. A moderate course was set up for the last event on Sunday afternoon. The horses must have been tired but they certainly failed to show it. Among the 17 or more entries, 4 were clean. The jump offs from all reports, were spectacular. The course for the jump off consisted of only 2 jumps ranging in height from 5'-1" to 5'-4". Two riders dismounted ungracefully over the last jump, hanging on to their horses' necks but Chittawney and Good Friday went around with only one fault. By this time anxious parents and every one else were on their feet yelling for their favorite. On the second jump off, 12-year-old Miss Gail Plant on Chittawney, a 17-hand gelding, was proclaimed victorious.

Miss Plant also won the open jumping class on her own "Ex G. I.", Confidence. She tied with herself for first place on Harold Joss' Chittawney.

The only other jumping class was for children never having won a ribbon jumping. That wonderful black gelding, Cinders, with Miss Shirley Kratky won. Cinders, a good looking hunter, went smoothly and faultlessly to win the jump off against Miss Pat Lang on Good Friday.

There were many highlights of this show and one was the night hunting scene. In luminescent attire,

the riders jumped over a glowing brush jump in the dark. The fine harness class with 4 entries, 1 pony, 1 open jumper, 1 pleasure horse and 1 dog, Nikki, pulling Micky Mouse in a cart, was indeed an unusual affair. The liberty jumpers, led by the junior jumpers fairly flew about the ring and when they started into the jump there was usually a sad looking junior sitting in the tank.

Probably the most popular class of all was the lead line class. There were about 14 entries with children ranging from 3 to 6 years of age. Winsome 4-year-old Miss Jill McCleave drew applause by her excellent form and ability to post. Charming Robert Greenhow did admirably well for his age and seemed quite pleased with his ribbon. All were awarded special prizes as the class was not judged.

The horsemanship classes were a long awaited dream. In each class, individual performances were requested and accurate scoring was kept so each child was aware of his mistakes. In the open group, after a preliminary walk, trot and canter, 7 were asked to back their horses and do a figure eight at a trot and canter. Miss Barbara Pascoe made a close win over Miss Twinkle Watson. In this class the judge told each contestant, after her performance, exactly what she had been faulted on.

The 14-18 non-ribbon winners were asked to change horses and walk, trot and canter individually on the rail. The under 14 non-ribbon winners were asked to sit their trot, change horses, halt from a trot and back. Miss Peggy Cutts was awarded the blue in this class.

As nearly all the horses were owned by the McCleave Clearbrook Stables the rider's and not the owner's name follows the horse in the summaries.

October 30-31

Beginners jumping—1. Cinders, Shirley Kratky; 2. Good Friday, Pat Love; 3. Lady X, Leslie Eagle; 4. Storm, Lester Corbet; 5. Ned, Susie Reed.

Open jumping—1. Confidence, Gail Plant; 2. Chittawney, Gail Plant; 3. Good Friday, Marge Keeler; 4. Major, Janet Huston; 5. Lady X, Peggy Cutts.

Bareback jumping—1. Chittawney, Gail Plant; 2. Good Friday, Marge Keeler; 3. Cin-

Myopia Hunter Trials

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hunt to finish on the flat in front of the Knoll, and the announcement of the winners.

Paul Fox and his Cottage Chat accumulated the highest number of points and was the winner of The Heard Cup, the championship hunter challenge trophy. Cottage Chat, teamed with Mrs. Gordon C. Prince's Loose Manners, made up the Myopia team and retained for Myopia the Hunt Team Challenge Trophy presented by James W. Appleton, Esq., M. F. H. With the winning of these honors, Myopia again has the privilege of holding the championship trials in their own country next year.

The fine performances of Millwood's Miss June Murray and Mrs. Gardiner Fiske earned the Prince Cup awarded to the hunt team runner-up.

A fitting climax for a perfect day of sport, was the dinner held at Frederic Winthrop's Groton House Farm for the members of the hunts, and the presentation of the trophies.

ders, Marylee Lambert; 4. Lady X, Peggy Cutts; 5. Dresden Souvenir, Twinkle Watson.

Horsemanship under 14—non-ribbon winners—1. Peggy Cutts; 2. Susie Reed; 3. Lael Scott; 4. Barbara Hunt; 5. Barbara Henry.

Horsemanship 14-18 non-ribbon winners—1. Shirley Kratky; 2. Betty McClane; 3. Janet Huston; 4. John Stirrat; 5. Margery Smith.

Open horsemanship under 18—1. Barbara Pascoe; 2. Twinkle Watson; 3. Glen Borgen-dale; 4. Sharyn L. Crevin; 5. Gail Plant.

Fine harness—1. King's Love, Arlene Federicki; 2. Dresden Souvenir, Twinkle Watson; 3. Poncho, Betty McClane; 4. Nikki (the dog), Mickey Mouse.

Musical stalls—1. Jingaboo, Sue Shidler; 2. Temptation, Ann Henry; 3. Sootie, Mary T. Isaacson; 4. Carbon, Barbara Henry; 5. Nig, Pat Lang.

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Norfolk Hunter Trials

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only the week before won the 3-mile Mortimer Cup Steeplechase at the Myopia Race Meet, and by Dr. Frank Powers, brother of prize winner, Miss Helen Powers, up on Miss Edith Lyman's My Thunder.

The committee for the trials, Co-chairmen Mrs. John Grew and Darby Almy, assisted by Mrs. Henry Byng and Mrs. Robert Almy, provided tremendous interest in the children's classes for horses and ponies hunted regularly by amateurs under 18 years of age. Many parents' still mounted on horses entered in the trials watched their youngsters cover a modified but rugged course. Outstanding in this event was George Lewis III who won the division A championship for the 2nd year on his chestnut pony, Rodney, to nose out Miss Betty Abel on Slipper.

SUMMARIES

Championship class, 1948—1. Cabby, Mrs. Sherwin C. Badger; 2. Lady Leaf, Ard Righ Stable; 3. Hill Fox, Mrs. Malcolm Stone; 4. My Thunder, Edith Lyman.

Hathaway Plate—Cabby, Mrs. Sherwin C. Badger.

Cabot-Jackson Cup—Pegasus, Helen Powers. Warren Cup—Cabby, Mrs. Sherwin C. Badger.

Division A, juniors—1. Rodney, George Lewis III; 2. Slipper, Betty Abel; 3. Victory Lady, Norman Hall; 4. Snapper, Valerie Smith.

Division B, juniors—1. Marshall Lass, Phyllis Jackson; 2. Mickey, Nat Grew; 3. Pal Roger, Darby Almy.

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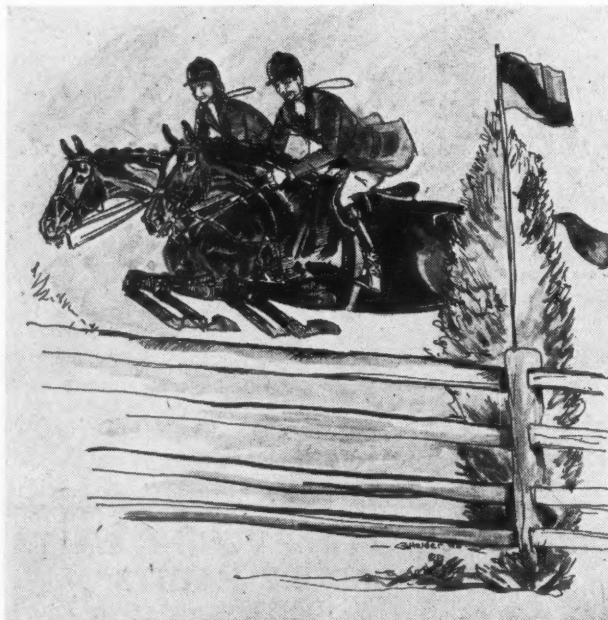
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Chicago Polo Assn. Opens Indoor Season With New York Game

The Chicago Polo Association opened its second season of indoor polo at the National Guard Armory in Chicago to a large and enthusiastic crowd of polo fans on November 13th. At this time it was announced that the American Polo League had been recently formed, with the intent to bring to Chicago top indoor teams from out of town to compete against the local high-goal teams. The league consists of eight teams at the present time and the schedule at the Armory calls for an American League team game every other Saturday night, combined with a second game. On alternate Saturday nights junior and senior division games will be presented from Metropolitan League teams.

The opening game of the American Polo League, on November 20th featured the Chicago team of Tom Healy at No. 1, Peter Perkins at No. 2 and Michael Healy at No. 3, against New York, this team formed by Paul Miller at No. 1, William Rand at No. 2 and Walter Nicholls at No. 3. Since the aggregate goal rating of both teams was twelve, the game was played on the flat. Although this was Perkins' first indoor game, he quickly showed that he had full control of it and with Mike and Tom Healy both playing their usual strong and skillful game, this team swept into a lead which they never relinquished. The final score of 16-5 in favor of Chicago does not truly reflect the fine playing and spirit of New York which kept the play fast and strongly competitive throughout the game, much to the delight of the local fans.

The other game on Saturday the 20th was between the Shamrocks and the Pessimists, both Metropolitan League teams. The hard-riding Shamrocks, captained by Patrick Connors, repeated their last week's winning performance and defeated the Pessimists, captained by Harry Owen, Jr. by a score of 10 to 4.

The lineups were:

- Shamrocks (10)**
No. 1—George Cokinis
No. 2—Robert Bond
No. 3—Patrick Connors
- Pessimists (4)**
No. 1—Harry Owen, Jr.
No. 2—Robert Strom
No. 3—Jack Armstrong

Both games were viewed by an audience of televiewers, as all games are being telecast over the network stations of WENR-TV, with Col. Roy Keehn, an expert player himself, describing the play.

In the games on opening night (November 13th) the Shamrock team as listed above defeated the Dormeyer team of Jerry Forden, Fred Lutzow and Ellis Carlson by a score of 10 to 7. Truman Wood, who captains and usually plays No. 3 for Dormeyer, was missing from the lineup because of injuries received in a practice game. He is now out of the hospital but will be out of play for

Morristown Club Defeated Despite New York Efforts

William F. Goodrich

The finest match of the two-week old 1948-49 indoor polo season was played at the Squadron A armory last Saturday, Nov. 20. The Morristown Polo Club, featuring the riding of the Johnson brothers—Bob, Ben and Collister—won by 11 to 10 over Ramapo in 3:45 seconds of a sudden death overtime period.

Bob Johnson's shot decided the issue. The game itself was well played, as good as any game can be, even though it was the first time that the brothers have ridden as a unit since last spring.

It looked like a romp for Ramapo in the first half. The Johnsons suffered from the long layoff but you'd never know it from their performances in the final periods and in particular the extra session. Ramapo was ahead 5 to 2 in the first period and by 7 to 4 at the half.

Collister scored 6 of his teams goals, Bob chipped in with 3 and Ben's only goal was the one that sent the contest into the sudden death period.

Walter Devereux, riding for the first time this season, Al Parsells and Marty Christensen rode as Ramapo. Devereux scored four goals and Parsells and Christensen three each.

The Johnson brothers were dog-tired at the end. But, they were no more tired than the customers who sat through this up and down the field game. Play was as good as one will see it this season. Christensen escaped a serious injury in the third period when his pony went down on him.

In the first game the Squadron A Falcons, with Luke Travis showing the way, defeated the Squadron A Troopers 14 to 8.

The first of the Inter-City series matches between New York, Chicago and Florida, was scheduled for the Squadron A arriving this Saturday. Arlington Farms, the national open indoor polo champions, were to take on the Squadron A Regulars who won 13 out of 14 last season. Arlington Farms will field Del Carroll, Stan Taylor and Bill Fergus.

Paul Miller, Billy Rand and Walter Nicholls are the Regulars.

While on the subject of firsts—the first Intercollegiate match of the indoor season will be played in the first part of a doubleheader. It will be Williams vs. Harvard.

W. Holland, Jr., A. D. Calhoun, Jr., E. F. VanPeborgh and T. H. White, Jr., are the Harvard players. Williams is to use Victor Heerman, Walter Cook and William Hudson.

several more weeks.

The Junior Division teams of the Black Horse Troop and Northwestern competed on the same night, with Northwestern (Don Hannah at No. 1, Jim Hannah, Jr. at No. 2 and Bill Stephens at No. 3) defeating the Black Horse Troop of Rouse, Kimmel and Dretsas, 13 to 7.

Beverly Hills Takes Defeat In Opening Game With Hollywood

Tom Pilcher

The Beverly Hills polo Club had a semi-official opening on Sunday October 31st, when it staged a game on the No. 1 field for the public, between the home quartet and Hollywood. What looked to be two well matched teams on paper, proved to be otherwise on the field, Don Howden the number one man for the film city four, went on a rampage to score 5 goals for his team mates, he was well backed up by "Red" Guy, and the Australian player Hector King, the losers played sound polo but seem to be unable to penetrate the defense of their opponents.

According to manager Carl Crawford, the official opening will take place on Sunday, November 14, which will feature a high goal game between the South and a strong team from the North, composed of Eric Pedley, Bill Gilmore, George Pope and Clarence Starck. Line-ups.

Hollywood (9)

1. J. Stimmel
2. Carl Crawford
3. Bobbie Fletcher
4. Russell Havenstrite

Beverly Hills (5)

1. Don Howden
2. Hector King
3. Tom Guy
4. Chuck Wheeler

Umpire—Dr. William Branch.

On Sunday, November 14, at the Beverly Hills Polo Club, the home side entertained the Hollywood Club, while the play was not fast, it prov-

ed to be always exciting and full of interest to the spectators. For the winners, young Charlie Huthsing out at number one, made full use of his position to score no less than four times, he was well backed up by Don Howden, who is showing vast improvement in his stick work over previous appearances 'last winter.

For the losers, Carl Crawford was always aggressive and trying to break up a rather sound defense on the part of Red Guy and Chuck Wheeler. The fortunes of the winners seesawed continually, after an early lead they lost it in the fourth chukker, then came from behind to win by 9 goals to 5.

Hollywood (9)

1. Chas. Huthsing
2. Don Howden
3. Chuck Wheeler
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Beverly Hills (5)

1. Jimmie Stimmel
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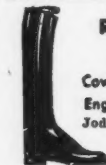
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Mike Wins At Chestnut Ridge

Vodka Repeats Frankstown Winning Performance By Capturing Ladies' Race; Day Marred By Death of Veteran Walumbe

Elizabeth Eierman

On Sunday, November 7th, the Chestnut Ridge Hunt of Dunbar, Pa. held its 3rd annual point-to-point. The second of three races sponsored by Western Pa. hunts, Chestnut Ridge is by far the stiffest. Laid out over regular hunting country, the course is so designed and the fences so placed that cleverness and stamina rather than speed are needed for the 5 miles. After facing big chicken coops and board fences and long, uphill pulls, it was certainly a game, fit horse which had enough left to make his bid at the finish.

Favored in the ladies' race was Miss Susan Burgwin's Vodka, last year's champion in the ladies' division. Ridden by Miss Susie Hays, Vodka started this series with a good win at Frankstown. Four other horses went to the post—Red Hazar by the same sire as Vodka, ridden by his owner, Miss Elizabeth McNary; Miss Evelyn Thompson's Mr. Smirk, also owner-ridden; Walumbe, owned and ridden by Miss Christine Metcalf; and Orphan Abie, ridden by his owner, Miss Patricia Lyon.

Over the 1st fence and past the spectators Mr. Smirk set the pace, followed by Walumbe, Red Hazar, Vodka and Orphan Abie. Once over the board in and out across the lane, Vodka took the lead followed by Red Hazar. Walumbe and Mr. Smirk stayed off the pace. After 3 refusals at a grievous fence, Miss Lyon's Orphan Abie had lost valuable ground, and the in and out appealed to him even less. After several tries his rider pulled him out.

As the four came up the hill by the crowd and began their second loop, it was still Vodka and Red Hazar a length or two apart followed by Walumbe and Mr. Smirk. Half of the second loop was uphill over fences as trappy as the early ones, and it was still anyone's race. When they came through a farmyard, scattering baby pigs right and left, Vodka and Red Hazar began to roll downhill to the finish, with Vodka a length on top. His lead increased to two over the last jump, and Miss Hays sent him on. Miss McNary shook up Red Hazar, and he made a strong, driving bid to gain at each stride. But Vodka withstood his challenge to win by about a neck. Mr. Smirk came on in a burst for show position.

The exciting finish and even the

entire day was completely ruined by what followed. Miss Metcalf's gallant old Walumbe refusing to be pulled up before the finish galloped between the flags, stopped and then went down. He lived only a few minutes. A tragedy like that makes you marvel at the tremendous heart of a Thoroughbred.

In order to run four races the men's catchweights was split with two horses starting in the first—Blair Guyer's Low Jack, ridden by his son, Dick, and Guy Hunter's Manhattan Bob, George Oliver up. Low Jack assumed the lead over the 1st coop and relinquished it over the trappy 3rd, 4th and 5th fences to the better jumping Manhattan Bob. From then on the lead alternated, and past the spectators, both horses seemed fresh. Once clear of the barnyard and the ever present pigs, they moved over the last few jumps at greater speed. In order to save ground George Oliver cut hard left into the final coop and caught Low Jack at the take off. Manhattan Bob, however, twisted and wasn't able to stay with the speedy Black Jacket horse. Low Jack won handily. The course was shortened to 3 miles for the second group of the men's catchweights, and with a few last minute entries, 6 horses went to the post. Sherwood Martin had the ride on Mark Thompson's Swig. Because his own Flare Flight was laid up, Alfred Hunt climbed aboard Miss Evelyn Thompson's Scattercash. John R. Wahlgren rode his reliable Pom Pom, and Blue Bell, Freddy Baer's horse of all trades was owner-ridden. The remainder of the field consisted of Ken McClain on his pony, Dodie; Sir Robert, owned and ridden by Jack Sheets and Mrs. B. C. Cence's Danny Gay.

Warming to his job quickly, Pom Pom sailed into the lead, closely followed by "Scatter" and Sir Robert. The others, bunched, trailed. Pom Pom still led as they galloped toward the in and out with Scattercash on his heels. In anticipation of a close finish everyone strained his eyes to see which horses would be in the running when they reached the top of the hill. Only one appeared—Scattercash which had made up ground after the in and out, had passed the tiring Pom Pom and had the finish to himself. Pom Pom was 2nd but barely as Mr. Swig was only a head behind him. Danny Gay



It was a two horse field in the men's catchweight race at the Frankstown Point-to-Point, but owner-rider Alfred M. Hunt on his Flare Flight nosed out Richard Guyer on Blair B. Guyer's Low Jack in a thrilling stretch duel. (Darling Photo)

CHRONICLE QUIZ



1. WHAT IS A STAG IN EQUINE CIRCLES?

1. (See drawing.)
2. What is a guest horse?
3. What is the meaning of the term "doer" in connection with horses?
4. What is a flapper?
5. How is the word confidential used to apply to horses?
6. What part of a horse's anatomy is known as the lisk?

(Answers on Page 23)

lost his rider half way around, and Jack Sheets pulled up Sir Robert, Mr. Hunt's and Scatter's win was a well deserved one because a greater enthusiast than Alfred about any aspect of horses would be hard to find. And those who know Scattercash know him for the really versatile horse that he is.

As usual the boys who rode in the open race put on a good show—so good in fact, that their time over the long course was 11.50. Opinion ran along two lines. If Grover Stephens could keep Bliss Flaccus' Phil's Pet on his feet, he would be definitely in the running. The other school thought he would never get around, and the race would be another walk away for Mike, ridden by Danny Lenehan and owned by Mike Lingenfelter. Ralph Taylor's Kyamazon looked much fitter than he had the week before. John Peel, ridden by his owner, Fred Hedges, and Ralph on his horse made up the 4 horse field. Mike took the lead with Danny setting a good pace. Grover had trouble starting Phil's Pet, but finally he was off with a lunge and a bore. Throughout the entire race his nose was never more than five inches off the ground, and he never went a stride without fighting. Mike led over the tricky three fences right below the spectators with Kyamazon, Phil's Pet and John Peel close behind. Almost as soon as the field was lost to sight beyond the in and out, it reappeared.

Starting on the second loop, Kyamazon moved up to Mike's girth, with Phil's Pet 3rd and John Peel last. Going uphill into a stiff board fence, Phil's Pet took the lead a length ahead of Mike. A stride away, he switched panels, and he and Mike bumped in midair. Neither was bothered, and away they went. Kyamazon was over well, but John Peel refused. By the time he got over he was hopelessly outdistanced. The pace quickened as Mike and Phil's Pet headed toward the downhill fences and home. Kyamazon tired and dropped back. And the crowd knew it was in for a good finale. Rolling downhill, across the bottom and into the last fence, they ran side by side. By cutting his turn close, into the coop Danny had 1-2 length lead as they took off. Phil's Pet bobbed badly and hit Grover hard in the eye. From then on, he was a beaten horse, and Danny breezed Mike home 6 lengths in front. Kyamazon finished 3rd by 8 to 10 lengths, but Ralph didn't push him.

The Chestnut Ridge Hunt Point-

to-Points were good races, every one of them, but the course is not one over which to run a horse that isn't ready, and it is certainly no place for a poor jumper. A great deal of credit is due Miss Evelyn Thompson, M. F. H., I. L. Horewitz and B. C. Cence for gathering together enough entries when bad luck seems to be plaguing local owners.

SUMMARIES

Ladies' race, abt. 5 mi. over natural hunting country. Trophy presented by Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Horewitz. Winner: b. g. (11) by *Hazar—Battle Ax. Time: 13.45.

1. Vodka, (Miss Susan Burgwin), Miss Susan Hays.
2. Red Hazar, (Miss Elizabeth McNary), Miss Elizabeth McNary.
3. Mr. Smirk, (Miss Evelyn Thompson), Miss Evelyn Thompson.

Also ran: Walumbe, Miss Christine Metcalf, owner-ridden; Orphan Abie, Miss Patricia Lyon, owner-ridden.

Men's catchweights (1st race): Abt. 5 mi. over natural hunting country. Trophy presented by Mr. Harry D. Ryan. Winner: blk. g. by Black Jacket—dam not obtained. Time: 12.01.

1. Low Jack, (Blair Guyer), Richard Guyer.
2. Manhattan Bob, (Guy Hunter), George Oliver.

Men's catchweights (2nd race): Abt. 3 mi. over natural hunting country. Trophy presented by Harold Ream. Winner: br. g., breeding unknown. Time: 8.55.

1. Scattercash, (Miss Evelyn Thompson), Alfred M. Hunt.
2. Pom Pom, (John R. Wahlgren), John R. Wahlgren.
3. Mr. Swig, (Mark Thompson), Sherwood C. Martin.

Also ran: Sir Robert, Jack Sheets, owner-ridden; Blue Bell, Fred Baer, owner-ridden; Dodie, Ken McClain, owner-ridden; Danny Gay, Mrs. B. C. Cence.

Open Race: Abt. 5 mi. natural hunting country. Trophy presented by O. F. Arthur. Winner: ch. g., breeding unknown. Time: 11.50.

1. Mike, (Mike Lingenfelter), Daniel F. Lenehan.
2. Phil's Pet, (Bliss Flaccus), Grover Stephens.
3. Kyamazon, (Ralph Taylor), Owner ridden.

Also ran: John Reed, Fred Hedges, owner ridden.

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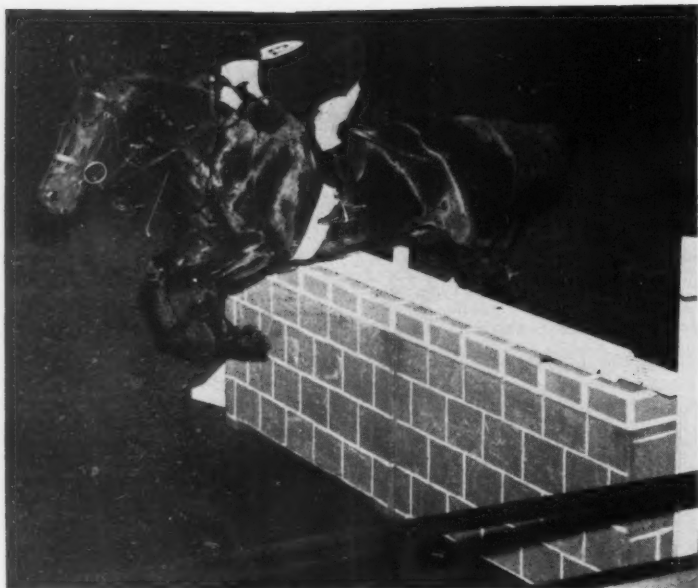
Juniors At The National



The Maryland Juniors landed en masse at the National Horse Show and Owner-rider Teddy LeCarpentier took home the championship with his Easter Hall. (Klein Photo)



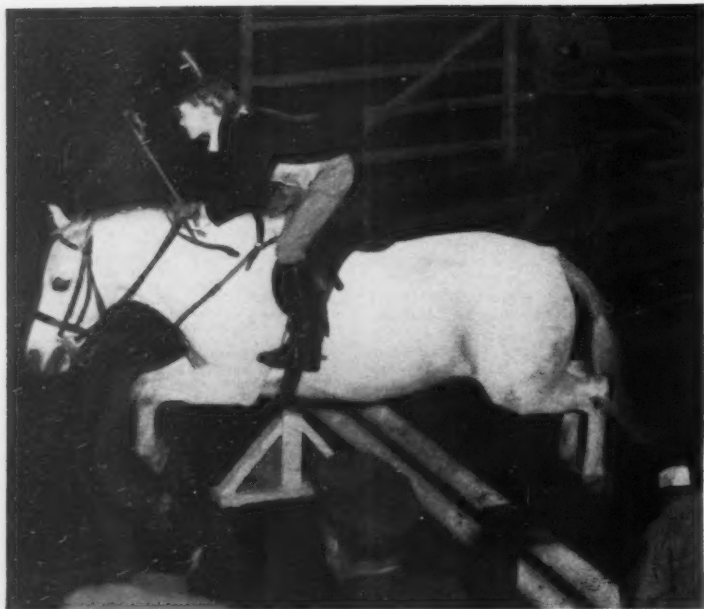
Deuce was entered under the name of Denny Haight who rode in the hunter classes. Miss Betty Haight was in the open jumper events and between the two, they took home the reserve tri-color. (Klein Photo)



Master Spunky Fisher and Reckless have been out of their native North Carolina and at the Garden, they were in both the junior classes and open jumper events. They won a big class in the junior division. (Klein Photo)



47 juniors met at the Garden to compete in the Maclay trophy final. The winner--- Miss Charlotte Hanlon who received the trophy from John D. Beals who was escorted to the ring by A. G. Tuckerman. (Klein Photo)



A tiny miss at the Garden was Miss Cynthia Graffam on her Thane of Wales. Her silk hat slipped in the corinthian class but she topped the pony hunters. (Freudy Photo)



Working hunters were divided into horses and ponies and Miss Jackie Ewing and her Moonbeam took home another blue. In the horse division, Miss Deidre Hanna and Darling B. won. (Klein Photo)

In the Country



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Milkman, the grand old man of Rolling Plains Farm, was put down 2 days before the dispersal of the breeding establishment belonging to the late Mrs. Plunket Stewart. By Cudgel—Milkmaid, by *Peep o'Day, this aged sire had the unusual record of having had 89 percent of his starters win races. In 1946 the earnings of his get exceeded \$181,000 and in this same year at Saratoga the 7 yearlings offered by Mrs. Stewart averaged \$10,614. It is welcome news that this fine Virginia breeding establishment will carry on as Rolling Plains Stud under the direction of Mrs. Stewart's daughters, the former Nancy and Avie Penn Smith who are now Mrs. John B. Hannum 3rd and Mrs. Joseph Walker, Jr. They have 3 good broodmares they purchased in the dispersal, as well as the fine mare Rytina that was reserved out of the sale by Mr. Stewart for his step-daughters. Rytina won \$55,670 in her racing career including the Adirondack and Top Flight Handicaps, and is a young mare having been foaled in 1943. She is now in foal to Pavot.

BIDDING AND BUYING AT ROLLING PLAINS

The Stewart Dispersal at Rolling Plains brought out a very complete complement of steeplechasing owners, breeders and trainers. The large group of several hundred bidders and buyers along with a number of lookers-on included Walter Wickes, Jr. who had a very successful season at the hunt meetings, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Filley; Mr. Filley bought a nice Milkman colt out of Beatrice, a mare that Mrs. Stewart gave to her daughter Avie to hunt at Foxcroft School. Beatrice was a half sister to five winners including the dam of Bay View who won the Santa Anita Handicap and \$101,005. Others there were John Maloney, James McCormick, Mr. and Mrs. Danny van Clief and Jack Carpenter, from Charlottesville, Mr. and Mrs. W. Burling Cocks down from Philadelphia, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Clark, Rigan McKinney, James Ryan bidding for Mrs. Essie duPont Weir, Morris Dixon who was an active bidder and buyer, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Harper, Robert Hitt, Robert Young, Joint M. F. H. with Mr. Harper of Orange County, Daniel Sands and Newell Ward, Middleburg's Masters who reported an excellent run that morning, one of the best of the season with a fox killed. Others on hand were Charles Kenney, Coldstream's manager, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Skinner, David Rust, Jr. who paid \$2,100 for an *Sir Gallahad 3rd mare out

of the good mare Cottage Cheese, Kenneth Gilpin who represented Fasig-Tipton's interests for his brother Tyson who was lining up the Mayer sale in Calif. Kay Gilpin paid \$4,000 for a *Challenger 2nd filly—Chessel by *Sir Gallahad 3rd. Mrs. duPont Scott whose Montpelier meeting last Saturday was one of the most successful of the hunt meeting circuit was bidding and buying. She purchased a \$3,200 filly by *Piping Rock—Dairy Lady.

Others buying were Frank Christmas from Maryland buying for James Purdey, Larry McPhail, doing his own bidding and seeming to be as much at home in Thoroughbred circles as in baseball Cortie Wetherill of Abingdon, Penna., who paid \$10,000 for Gala Moment and many others that made this successful vendue have the appearance of a steeplechasing day at Pimlico.

BIG DAY IN CHICAGO

Saturday, November 6th was a big day for the Chicago horsemen. It commenced early with the wedding of Mary Ann Luke to John Kennedy in LaGrange, Illinois where the bride was given away by her justly proud father Stanley Luke who has been responsible for turning out many a good horseman, including his very charming daughter, as well as having a finger in the making of many a good horse throughout the middle-west. Inasmuch as the Wayne Du Page Hunt's joint meet moved off at 2:30 there was quite a scramble after the ceremony to get home, redress foxhunting children, clean ponies and horses, saddle up and make the meet between gulped sandwiches and flying shirttails.

About 80 people moved off to give the effect of one of Cecil Alden's mass hunting prints with innumerable pink coats well set off by a number of grey horses in the field made up of members of Longmeadow, Mill Creek, Oakbrook and Wayne DuPage. A large gang of junior riders helped swell the day and at the single panel fences there was a swirling melee of young and old with many a junior rider being extricated from branches of trees, the right and wrong side of fences, and generally collected up off the ground to be deposited back on their ponies as they solemnly reassured their anxious elders of their good health.

One of these casualties was Peggy Carroll who let her big horse roar on down into the wing of a panel which was covered with a strand of barbed wire. Fretting at being checked, the horse took off, made a good five foot leap but tipped the wire with his toes and turned on his nose. Peggy arose, fine as silk, but horror stricken as her horse galloped

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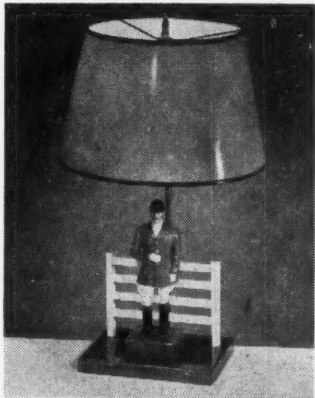
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on to another wire fence in hot pursuit of the hunt. This time he galloped right smack on through the wire but emerged triumphantly on the other side—the Lord protects the unwary!—with but a few minor abrasions.—L. B. C.

WRONG NAME

When a person does a hard job well, he should have credit. Editing horse show copy is something like giving a photographer his credit line, one knows it should be done but in getting the page proofs back on the hook, the best intentions go astray. Such is the case with Ringmaster Clarence "Honey" Craven and his work at the National Horse Show. In The Chronicle's story, reference was made to Ringmaster McDevitt when the one and only National ringmaster is Honey Craven.

RIGHT GIRL—WRONG NAME

A grave error was recorded in The Chronicle with the announcement of Austin Brown's marriage and wedding trip to Europe. The bride's name is Sally Baxter Stokely but Miss Stokely's last name was left off inadvertently. As Mrs. Carter Brown quite rightly reminds us, it would be sad if people thought Austin had married the wrong girl.

Chronicle Quiz Answers

1. A gelding over a year old. Often applied to any young, unbroken horse.
2. A hunter which is quiet enough for riders of only moderate ability is known as a guest horse.
3. A good "doer" is a horse that stays in good flesh on small amounts of feed or when worked hard.
4. A flapper is an expression used in England to denote a horse which has competed in races not authorized by the Jockey Club.
5. A confidential hunter is one with exceptionally good manners.
6. That part of the groin from which the hairs of the coat radiate outward.

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This activity of the artist gives a clear insight into his character. It shows a man of rare patience and skill, one who could have been a great doctor as well as a great artist. His painting of Horses at Newmarket on the cover this week is another example of the pleasing and imaginative detail with which his paintings were executed.

Stubbs was a large man, and his pictures show a face of great, but almost violent character. One would not think there lay inherent in this man, a sensitive nature that could portray the patient and persuasive delicacy displayed in all his paintings. The picture of the boys jogging out their charges at Newmarket under the eye of the trainer shows a superb finish and attention to detail. Stubbs' ability to use soft and pleasing colors to his backgrounds added much to the sensitivity of his pictures.

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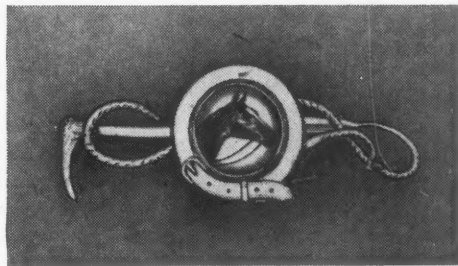
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